

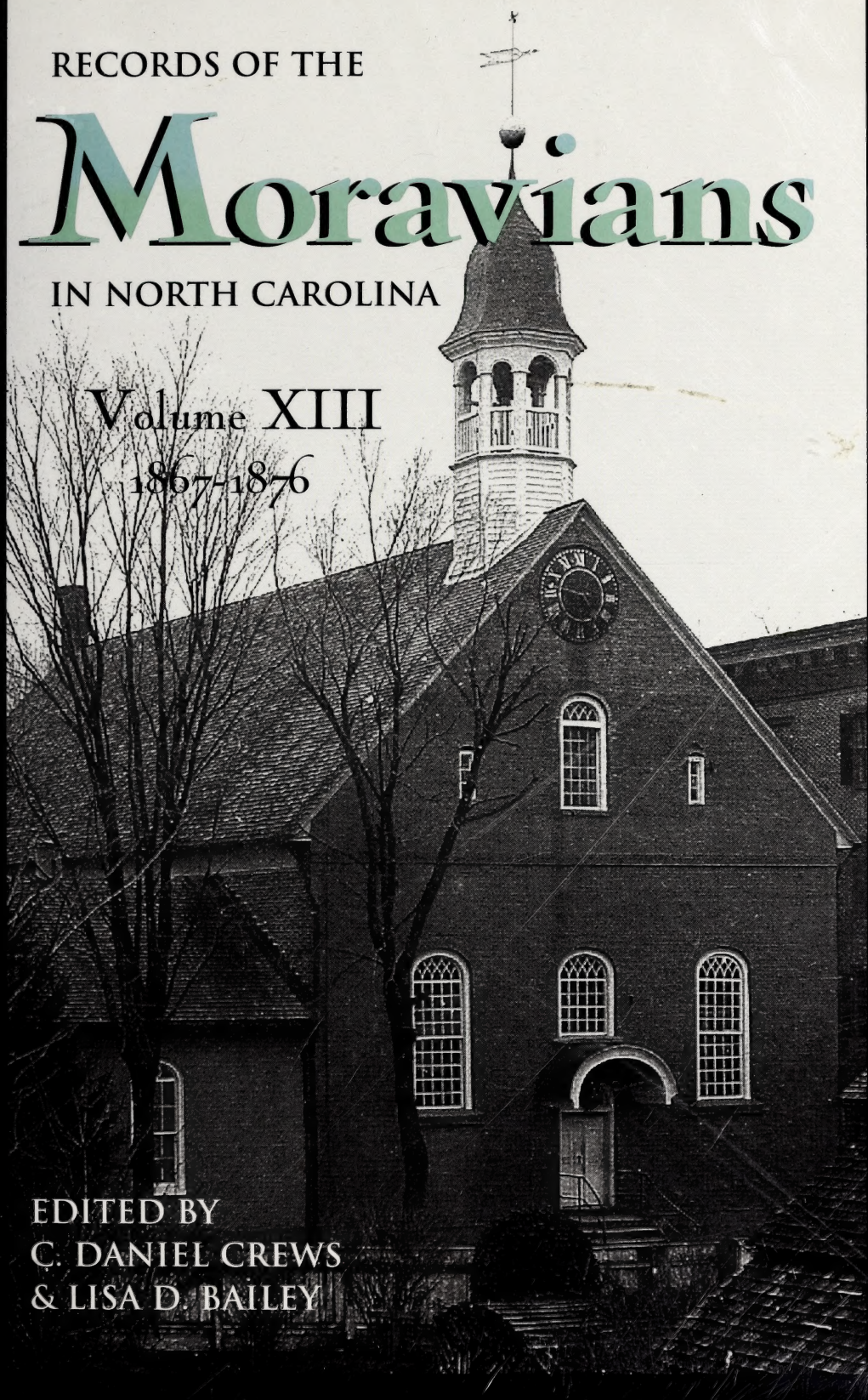
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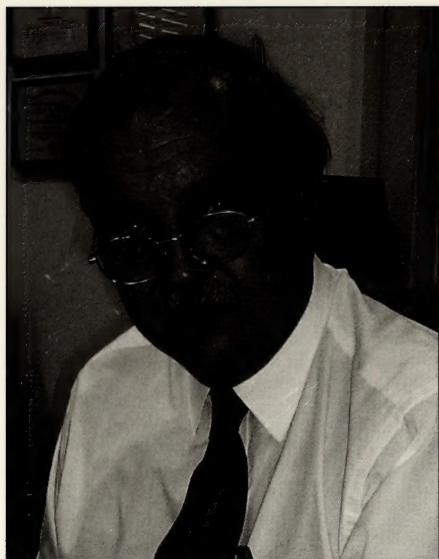
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Vogler store: With a prominent "Moravian hood" in its cornice, E. A. Vogler's new building in 1867 was a symbol of increasing commercial activity in Salem shortly after the Civil War. Today, though greatly altered, Vogler's store still stands in the heart of Salem and is home to the Moravian Book and Gift Shop.

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“For decades it was the tradition that the pastor in Moravian congregations would read the Memorabilia of the year at New Year’s. This was the official record of the life of the congregation in the previous year. It also included events in the worldwide Moravian Church and general world events. . . . The Moravian practice died out in the late twentieth century at the same time that pastors stopped keeping congregational diaries. . . .

“Moravians used to be unique in their focus on time as a part of spirituality. The past and the future are important because time is where we live our lives. The present moment is fleeting and soon becomes history. In order to live authentically, we need to think about our past actions and plan for the world we hope to live in. We need a sense of continuity in our lives as individuals, as a church, as a people. This is the true meaning of tradition: that we value the fact that every future has a past.”

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Foreword

This volume 13 is yet another addition to the publication series *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina*. The series was begun in 1922 by the North Carolina Historical Commission, later named the Division of Archives and History and now the Office of Archives and History. *Records of the Moravians* has provided scholars, genealogists, and casual readers with firsthand, almost daily accounts of life in North Carolina stretching back to colonial times. These accounts were written by ministers of the Moravian Church, and although they were involved in church affairs, they also had a concern for their neighbors and for events in the wider world.

Volume 13 is a close companion to volume 12, since both deal with momentous periods in North Carolina history. Volume 12 covers 1856-1866, which includes the Civil War. Volume 13 encompasses the years 1867-1876, the aftermath and recovery from the war and Reconstruction. With volume 13 we follow the accommodation of whites and blacks as they adjust to new roles following the end of slavery. The war-tattered economy slowly mends, then suffers setback. The two communities of Salem and Winston show renewed growth, and Salem Congregation's Board of Trustees can hardly lay out streets and name them fast enough. A community in eastern Forsyth County bands together to fight the evils of alcohol and incorporates as Kernersville. A new age dawns with the railroad advancing "through our fields and forests, that were never wont to have their quiet thus disturbed!" And slowly sectional bitterness is set aside, so that with America's centennial in 1876 the Fourth of July can once again be celebrated.

Our thanks go once again to C. Daniel Crews, archivist of the Moravian Church in America, Southern Province, and his staff at the Moravian Archives for their years of labor on

volume 13. Lisa D. Bailey of the Historical Publications Section has once more applied her editorial skills to bring this volume to publication. And again we stand in debt to the Moravians and their meticulous record-keeping for this vivid and detailed portrait of an era gone by.

Donna E. Kelly, *Administrator*
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Preface

It is a pleasure once again to join with the Historical Publications Section of the Office of Archives and History in presenting this volume 13 of *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina*. A number of people have contributed their efforts to make this publication possible. At the Office of Archives and History, principally Donna E. Kelly, administrator of the Historical Publications Section, offered unwavering encouragement despite budgetary constraints. I shall ever be grateful to co-editor Lisa D. Bailey for her expert skill in proofreading and correcting. At the Moravian Archives, Richard W. Starbuck saw to the assembling of this volume, and Grace S. Robinson had the most crucial task of all of deciphering the notoriously bad handwriting of such ministers as George Frederic Bahnson and Christian Lewis Rights.

A goal of volumes 12 and 13 was to bridge the gap of records from 1856 through 1876, some of the most momentous years of the state and the nation. With the publication of these two volumes, one can now trace the life of the Moravian Church, indeed of Northwest North Carolina, from earliest exploration in 1752 through the centennial year of America in 1876. Further Moravian history is set forth in Bishop Edward Rondthaler's *The Memorabilia of Fifty Years, 1877-1927* with a companion *Appendix, 1928-1930*, and Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl's *The Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1931-1961*. Together, these publications give us, as Adelaide L. Fries, translator and editor of the first seven volumes of *Records of the Moravians*, wrote, "an historical contribution which I think cannot be surpassed anywhere."

C. Daniel Crews, *Archivist*
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Editorial Method

Like volume 12, this volume 13 of *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina* consists of transcriptions of church diaries and minute books kept in the English language by ministers of the Moravian Church. These ministers were well educated and often had a literary flare, but to achieve a certain uniformity of style for publication, a gentle application has been made of modern rules of capitalization and punctuation. The copious abbreviations that the ministers used, making the diaries sometimes seem like shorthand, have been spelled out for the benefit of the reader. Antiquated usages of such words as "to day" and "to morrow" have been revised, and where applicable the colon has been made a semicolon. Occasional misspelled words have been corrected, though a few consistent variations have been retained. However, spellings of names and places appear as the ministers recorded them. Scripture citations have been standardized as have the days and dates that introduce each entry. Brackets indicate material inserted from another source (for example, [Bethania Report:]) or a clarifying comment by the editors.

This volume is only about one-third of the records the ministers kept. Every effort has been made to publish material of broad historical value and to omit the repetitive multitude of church services. Baptisms, marriages, and funerals, information that is so valuable to genealogical researchers, is again presented in the appendix as abstracts of church registers, which are more complete in their information than the diaries.

All the records of this volume are housed in the Moravian Archives in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, the repository of records of the Moravian Church, Southern Province.

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[British expansion in Asia continued as the Malaysian Straits Settlement became a British colony. In Mexico the Emperor Maximilian was deposed and executed, and a republic was restored. To the north, the Dominion of Canada was established by the confederation of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia. In Europe Karl Marx published *Das Kapital*.

Nebraska was admitted as the thirty-seventh state of the Union. Congress passed the Reconstruction Act, organizing the South into five military districts. In October the United States purchased Alaska from Russia for \$7.2 million. The Grange was organized in December to protect farmers' rights.

Under the federal Reconstruction Act, North Carolina became a part of the Second Military District under Gen. Daniel Sickles.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1867

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of George Frederic Bahnson.]

The year which is now passing away so soon was in some respects remarkable. It was the first year in a new century upon which we had entered as a congregation. The Lord had refreshed us in various ways during the greater part of the year of Jubilee, when towards the end we were visited by a disease which carries with it unusual terror and dismay and from which flesh and blood shrink with peculiarly alarming sensations. For many years had our meetings on the last evening of a retiring year been attended by much larger numbers, and only a handful of us, as it were, were seen in this house of God when we solemnly entered upon this present year. Fear and apprehension of the infection (smallpox) induced all to consider their homes the best places for safety. The town authorities also published regulations for preventing as much as possible the spread of the disease. Some fearful individuals even suspected the house of God of being rather infested with danger, altho' we believe that not a single case of sickness can be traced to the frequenting of that sacred spot.

The colored people, being to a great extent without regular homes where they could be nursed, when taken down, the old

African church was first selected as a hospital for them, and to remove all apprehension of infection to the lower part of town, an old house standing at some distance was finally prepared for that purpose. Two negro men died of smallpox.

Flags were fastened outside of every house in town into which the disease had entered. They were seen before the Sisters House, the Widows House, the old African church, and a number of private dwellings both in the upper and lower parts of town. Some families were sorely visited by this disease, almost every member being taken down and some very severely. As a natural consequence, the neighbors avoided as much as possible coming to town, and it was indeed a sad sight that presented itself to those who walked in our streets. Red flags warning of the danger of infection were hanging before many a house, entering into which without certain prescribed formalities would have exposed you to a fine, and you naturally hurried past them or turned over to the other side of the street, and well it is remembered that the writer of these lines was once in the street without seeing anything living, but he had the street, pavements and all, entirely to himself.

This state of things continued for nearly two months until on the 24th of February the last flag could be removed, and our town be declared free from the heavy visitation that had come upon us.

But in the midst of judgment a gracious Lord remembered mercy. Although a large number, especially of the young, had been taken with the disease—and in our female boarding school alone not less than 40 or 50 had suffered and some very severely—still neither of the latter nor of the members of our congregation living in our town was one carried off by death. All recovered more or less perfectly, although we have reason to believe that the latter end of several who had been afflicted was accelerated by the disease through which they had passed and during the prevalence of which some—and one of them in particular, a teacher in our Academy—had rendered faithful services to others. Two worthy members of our church living near Salem (in Winston) departed during this time, and it was sad that they could not be buried in our customary solemn manner but only in the presence of those whom duty or a particular degree of attachment and sympathy had called together. Their funeral sermon was, however, preached at a later day.

Mechanical pursuits could not be followed very successfully. Money was very scarce, and the necessities of life stood at a disproportionate figure. Still our merchants, whose number has been on the increase, to a considerable degree displayed great activity, and more than one store was either opened or enlarged during the year. One of our older storekeepers built the largest place of business that now exists among us. As a particular favor of the Lord, it deserves to be mentioned, with deep gratitude, that an abundant crop of fruit was bestowed upon us such as apples, blackberries, cherries and especially peaches. People dried them in large quantities, and hundreds of thousands of pounds were shipped north. By these means many were enabled to procure the necessities of life, from the want of which not a few, it is believed, would otherwise have suffered. ([Margin note:] One house alone bo't 320 bs., 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. (P. & S. [Pfohl & Stockton]))

One of these [church memorial] days was particularly interesting and we hope blessed on account of the presence of our Bro. Ernest F. Reichel, one of the bishops of our church and a member of the Unity's Elders' Conference in the mission department. In company with his wife he had come on an official visit to our American congregations. This was in accordance with a resolution of the General Synod that during the interval between Synods some members of the U.E.C. should visit all our congregations. Our Bro. and Sr. arrived in our midst on the 20th of July and remained with us till the [festival of the] 13th of August. As far as possible visits were made to the country congregations and also from house to house here at Salem. Bro. Reichel addressed our congregation repeatedly and preached in almost every country congregation, some brother accompanying him, translating his discourses in substance. He met everywhere with a very kind reception, and a very pleasing impression was left by both him and Sr. Reichel.

Sunday Schools have been in successful operation in our midst. Our old Sunday School kept in the church was well attended, and a concert given by the scholars on the 20th of December gave universal satisfaction to a very large congregation assembled on the occasion. The colored Sunday School continued also to flourish, and at a lovefeast given by the superintendent the scholars, old and young, gave ample evidence that all who have a part in the management of that

school are bestowing most praiseworthy pains upon those whom they instruct. Some brethren and sisters keep a Sunday School [Elm Street] in the building erected for the use of a public school. A large number of scholars are in attendance, some of them adults who appear to be much benefited by the exertions put forth in their behalf. May all these schools continue to be the means of preparing many precious youthful souls for the service of our heavenly master.

As something which has probably not occurred here before, it might be mentioned that two young Single Brethren [Henry T. Bahnson and Nathaniel S. Siewers], having graduated in Philadelphia as doctors of medicine, went to Berlin, Prussia, to continue their studies.

The scholars in our female boarding school had been very much reduced in consequence of the prevailing disease, but during the year this time honored institution recovered a very large share of the confidence of those who have the care of daughters, and the number of pupils increased very much. At the close of the 2d session there were 150 boarders.

During this year a new church was built in our Province, viz., at Kernersville. On the first day of May the cornerstone was laid and on the 10th of November it was consecrated. Although on neither occasion favorable weather was granted us, the congregations assembled were quite numerous, and much interest was manifested by the people in town and in the neighborhood.

Salem Diary, 1867

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of George Frederic Bahnson.]

Tues., Jan. 1. Our entrance into the new year was rather gloomy. Sickness prevails rather more extensively than commonly. The weather was unfriendly, the walking very bad, the people in the last meeting were very few, yea the very gas had given out that we had to meet in comparative darkness. For many years there had not been so few people in church at the last meeting. Strangers do not come at all, and many of our own people are prevented by one cause or another. . . .

Sun., Jan. 6. Epiphany. Today we entered upon the week of prayer.

Fri., Jan. 11. Yesterday evening the first person died from the prevailing disease (smallpox). It was Bill Hampton, as he called himself, a member of the colored division of our church. He was taken sick last Saturday. Lord have mercy upon us, and stay and remove the disease that is now in our midst. No country people come to town, and fearful reports of imaginary mortality are flying through the country. Want of some necessities of life begin to be feared. Bro. E. A. Vogler has shut his store in town and opened at John Stafford's. The attacks of the disease upon white people are generally very mild.

Sun., Jan. 13. By order of the Commissioners, who had been stirred up by a petition numerously signed demanding more strenuous measures for preventing the further spread of the prevailing disease, red flags had been attached to the following places: Bro. Fogel's office, the lower door of the Sisters House, the old African church, Sr. Waggoman's, Mr. Vest's, Mrs. Rensom's, Mrs. Rights's, Bro. Wm. Shulz's, Sr. Van Vleck's, Isaac Houser's (Bro. Hy. Blum's former place), and two to the Widows House. Handbills contained an ordinance referring to these measures. The minds of our people were very deeply exercised, and generally speaking much fear of being infected prevails. One consequence is that the house of God is but very poorly frequented. Some stay away altogether, but still go to other places! The fact that the pupils of our Academy, who are perfectly well, attend preaching has frightened some! In the evening Bro. Bahnson closed the prayer meeting of the week of prayer. No gas (as for several days it had been wanting) made the chapel appear still more gloomy.

Wed., Jan. 16. Some of the flags were removed today.

Sun., Jan. 20. A heavy fall of snow. (The snow extended through the length and breadth of our land, as later accounts informed us. In Boston it was 3 feet deep on the level.)

Thurs., Jan. 24. Bro. Bahnson attended to the burial of Bro. Nath. Byhan, who breathed his last yesterday evening. He is the first victim of the smallpox among the white portion of our congregation. The burial was quite private.

Mon., Jan. 28. Bro. Bahnson attended to the burial of our departed Sr. Lucy Blum. She died in Bro. Byhan's house of pleurisy. But people are so much afraid of the smallpox, that her own son Edmund would not go to see her on her dying bed (so the report says), and was standing outside of the graveyard in the avenue during the private ceremony of burying!

TOWN ORDINANCE.

STRICT SANITARY REGULATIONS PASSED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Ordered that the police officer of the town shall put up a red flag at every house, where any one is reported by the attending physician to be affected with small pox.

Ordered that the officer alone is to take down this flag as soon as the attending physician pronounces the family no longer in danger of communicating it to any other person.—The police officer is the only person authorized to take down said flag. Any one else removing it will lay himself or herself liable to a penalty of ten dollars.

Ordered that whenever in any house or family there shall occur a case of the disease, only one member of the family (the one least liable to communicate the same) shall be selected and be permitted to attend to the errands of the family, while the flag remains up at said house.

Ordered that any physician attending cases of small pox shall not be allowed to stay at any place or in any family not affected with said disease, without changing his clothing, under a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

Ordered that if there should arise a case of small pox among persons, white or black, who have no home of their own, but are in the employ of persons in the corporate limits of the town, the employer shall be compelled to keep and take care of such persons, under a penalty of fifty dollars.

Ordered that no person, except the attending physician, shall visit those who are sick with the disease, without a written permit from the Mayor, under penalty of five dollars.

Ordered that wherever it can possibly be done, the sick are to be placed in a room in the rear of the house, and if this cannot be done, the windows of the room fronting the street are to be kept closed.

The Board of Commissioners earnestly request the citizens to aid them in carrying out these sanitary regulations, and report any violations of them to the Police Officer or Mayor, otherwise their efforts for the public good in this crisis will prove of no avail.

By order of the Board of Commissioners.

C. L. RIGHTS, *Mayor pro. tem.*

Salem, Jan. 12, 1867.

Smallpox ordinance: Carefully folded into the Salem Diary for January 1867 is this handbill, issued by the Town of Salem at the height of the epidemic, Constantine Lazarus Rights, mayor pro tem.

Wed., Jan. 30. Two of the elected members of the Board of Elders are most exemplary in their attendance, the third never comes since Christmas from principle! lest he be infected!!

The weather during this month was uncommonly cold. The coldest January for many years. Much snow, and still it is feared that wheat suffered, the snow not covering it everywhere.

Sun., Feb. 3. Preaching better attended than for some time past. May the attendance continue to increase. At 3 P.M. Bro. Bahnson administered the holy communion. Both languages were used. A much larger number attended than had been looked for. From prudential reasons, the kiss was exchanged for the right hand of fellowship. It had been made known last Wednesday, but owing to the small number then present, it was not generally known, and some adhered to the old mode.

Mon., Feb. 11. Bro. Bahnson kept the evening meeting, reading an account of Bartimeus, the blind preacher in the Sandwich Islands.

Sun., Feb. 17. The fear of infection entertained by our people having greatly subsided, the meetings were better attended than they had been since Christmas.

Sat., Feb. 23. This evening the Young Men's Missionary Society celebrated their anniversary with a lovefeast, which was numerously attended. Bro. Bahnson presided, and Bro. Oerter made a very suitable address. Collection: \$60—none since 1862.

Sun., Feb. 24. The house of the Lord is better attended; the fear of smallpox has subsided, thank God.

Mon., Feb. 25. Bro. Bahnson kept the prayer meeting, [and] referred to the General Synod [of] 1869, the Provincial Synod at the North, our own Synod next year, and Bro. E. Reichel's visit.

Wed., Feb. 27. Before the close of the month all the red flags had been removed, so that the end of the smallpox reign has arrived. Thank God.

Sun., Mar. 31. In the evening was an infant baptism after which Bro. Isaac Prince, who has been staying here a few days, addressed the congregation. He is on his way farther south, looking for some locality where he may begin a mission among the freedmen. We could not give him much encouragement as to final success. Our mode of preaching and worshipping does not please the darkies as much as noisy Methodist

demonstrations, nor can we stand the competition of larger and wealthier denominations.

Wed., Apr. 24. Bro. Bahnson kept lecture accidentally in the large church. The comparatively small attendance was rather striking.

Wed., May 1. The evening meeting was dropped as Bro. Bahnson with Brn. E. A. Schweinitz, S. T. Pfohl, and A. L. Oerter had been in Kernersville, where the cornerstone of a Moravian church was laid.

Wed., May 8. Bro. and Sr. Fulkerson will leave tomorrow on a longer visit to Bethlehem.

Wed., May 29. The exercises of the session closed in the Female Academy with a very long entertainment, wonderfully well attended. At Litiz in the Synod of the Northern Province the Brn. S. Wolle, Rob. Schweinitz and L. Kampmann were elected members of the P.E.C.

Sun., June 9. Whitsunday. At 4 P.M. Bro. Bahnson administered the holy communion in German and at 7 1/2 in English. On the latter occasion the new communion books were used for the first time.

Wed., June 26. The Rev. Hy. Hardie preached in the evening in the chapel instead of the usual Bible lecture. The meeting was rather longer than it commonly is. A number of the pupils of our Academy was present. One of the teachers had brought her room company last Wednesday, and the girls appeared pleased with the plainness of the words spoken. As they have vacation, the attendance does not interfere with their study hours. May it benefit them.

This month we had uncommonly much wet and cool weather. People, as usual, are very much afraid that the crops will be injured.

Sun., June 30. The first Sunday since Whitsunday without rain.

Thurs., July 4. The negroes had great doings, a procession with banners and hurra's and also a barbecue. There were several hundred here, some from a considerable distance. On the whole they behaved very well, no disturbance whatever. In the evening some fireworks were exhibited outside of the lines of corporation, prohibition having been laid upon them, very properly, within the corporation. Some disturbance took place, in consequence of which one of our communicant members

was lodged in the calaboose!! The cannon had also been fired during the day to the annoyance of some of the sick!

Wed., July 10. The church underwent a highly necessary and effectual process of cleaning. What a pity that what is called the living church cannot be cleansed as easily.

Wed., July 17. Bro. Bahnson kept prayer meeting. Tolerable attendance, although very many are absent. Any excuse will do, in their opinion, and so they find "a legion" of them.

Sat., July 20. This morning after 2 o'clock Bro. and Sr. Ernest Reichel arrived here in safety. At Highpoint Sr. R. walked in the dark off the front porch and was mercifully preserved from fatal injuries. She cut her forehead pretty badly. Bro. E. Schweinitz had gone for them in the School carriage.

Sun., July 21. In the afternoon Bro. B. went with Bro. Reichel to the African church and preached from 2 Kings 7:2. In the evening Bro. Reichel kept the meeting in German. A very good audience was present, and many who probably understood nothing seemed to listen very attentively.

Thurs., July 24 [25]. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Thomas Atkinson, the Episcopal bishop in this state, preached from Luke 19:8, etc. The audience was not near as good as on former occasions, and there seems to be no particular need of the gentleman's regular visits. The members of his church among us are but very few and by no means very good ingredients in the community. It is [a] pity he cannot have them nearer his person.

Mon., July 29. Bro. Bahnson visited in town with Bro. Reichel. Sr. R. also accompanied the Brn. whenever convenient.

Thurs., Aug. 1. After the usual monthly conference at which Bro. Reichel was present, the Brethren and Sisters in the service of the church in the Province met in the afternoon in a more social manner with Bro. and Sr. Reichel and Bro. and Sr. E. E. Reinke and Sr. Brickenstein, the latter three on a visit to our place. The gathering was very pleasant and agreeable.

Sat., Aug. 3. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. our church was very well filled by guests invited to a lovefeast prepared by the members of the Female Missionary Society. Bro. Bahnson occupied the chair. The Brn. Reichel in German and E. E. Reinke in English addressed the meeting. Bro. Reichel gave us some account of his visit in Greenland. The collection amounted to \$85.21.

Sun., Aug. 4. Bro. Edwin E. Reinke, in a visit here with his family, preached a second Advent sermon from Rev. 16:15. It

gave rise to unusually lively discussion, and people formed very contradictory opinions concerning the brother himself.

Mon., Aug. 5. Bro. Bahnson kept prayer meeting. It was missionary prayer meeting, and Bro. B. attempted to communicate in English what Bro. Reichel had said on Saturday in German.

Wed., Aug. 7. By request a liturgy in German was sung this evening. Bro. Reichel occupied the chair. In spite of a shower there were a goodly number present. Formerly no attendance had rendered it necessary to drop such meetings. Now temporary fondness had sprung up.

Sun., Aug. 11. At 9 A.M. Bro. Reichel kept the first meeting in German. He addressed a very good congregation in an awakening manner, which did much good to many, we fondly trust. Bro. Oerter followed at the usual time with the litany and [a] very good and appropriate sermon from Isa. 40:28-31. The church was full of attentive hearers. At 2 P.M. Bro. Bahnson kept the lovefeast. At 4 Bro. Reichel administered the holy communion in German to an unusually large number (98), and at 7¹/₂ P.M. Bro. Bahnson in English to 194 members of our congregation.

Mon., Aug. 12. Cloudy. At 7³/₄ P.M. Bro. Bahnson kept prayer meeting. He referred to the departure for the North of our Bro. and Sr. Reichel and commended them in the usual manner to the guidance and protection of our blessed Lord and Savior. Bro. Reichel also spoke a few words. Very few men were in, as a black man was speaking in the African church and had a very large audience.

Thurs., Aug. 14 [15]. Yesterday [Wednesday] evening it began to rain and continued all night and morning. We cannot be too thankful, as the earth was perfectly parched.

Sun., Aug. 18. Children's festival. At 10 A.M. Bro. Bahnson preached from Exodus 2:9. There was a very good audience, some of whom were not pleased when an allusion was made to the sad but clear fact that some parents prepare for their children dancing and card playing parties instead of taking them to the house of God. Card playing and also dancing till after midnight prevail to some extent with such whose names are still on the [church] catalogue but who care little for the church of their fathers or Him from whom all our blessings flow. May it stir them up a little. At 2 P.M. Bro. Bahnson

presided at the lovefeast. The number of uninvited guests is very large; it becomes a nuisance.

Sun., Aug. 25. In the beginning of this week the board of registration, consisting of Jno. P. Vest, Chs. Hauser and Rud. Crist, sat in the courthouse; 288 whites and 115 blacks appeared.

Sat., Sept. 7. Yesterday the Single Sr. Angelina Geiger, having lost her mind, was taken to the asylum at Raleigh.

Sun., Sept. 8. Married people's festival. Rainy all day, but we trust it was a happy and blessed festival to all who drew near to our Lord and Savior. The meetings were uncommonly well attended by the members of the married Choir. Only a few who are regular absentees were wanting, bearing names which should perhaps have been stricken off our books years ago. Only one widower joined in the celebration. Unfortunately the evening was very rainy and not many were present at the meeting. Something we cannot understand: why the Lord throws, apparently, obstacles in the way of his house being filled.

Thurs., Oct. 3. Bro. Emil Schweinitz returned from a visit to Bethlehem. Unfortunately there was once again a circus near town.

Sun., Oct. 13. The audience was quite good and contained also the Rev. Mr. Wheeler from Winston and his father. Timeo Danaos, etc. [I fear the Greeks (even when they bring gifts), Virgil's *Æneid*.] In the evening Bro. Bahnson addressed an uncommonly small audience, almost everybody having taken the Wheeler track and gone to Winston, where the annual Methodist performances are taking place. May they do more good than the writer looks for.

Wed., Oct. 16. At 2 P.M. Bro. Bahnson kept the funeral of the Single Sr. Mary Regina Geiger. . . . Rev. J. H. Wheeler and his son (the stationed Methodist preacher in Winston) with Blind Billy, a Methodist local preacher, were present. They are engaged in [a] long protracted meeting at Winston. There is, as usual, much excitement. Is there more ado than wool? We had no further meeting today.

Sun., Nov 3. It having been 350 years last Thursday since by the help of the Lord Luther began the reformation of the church, Bro. Bahnson, preaching from John 17:17, referred to this glorious event. Good audience.

Sun., Nov. 10. Bro. Bahnson with Brn. Schweinitz and Pfohl was at Kernersville, where a new church was consecrated.

Mon., Nov. 18. Fine day. Indian summer. An unusual autumn, mild and pleasant. Mr. Brooks, agent of the American Tract Society for North Carolina, addressed the congregation at 7 P.M. Very moderate attendance. The collection taken up amounted only to something more than \$7.00.

Thurs., Nov. 28. Thanksgiving day, recommended by the President of the U.St. and the governor of N.C. Bro. Oerter preached to a good audience from Psalm 116:7. In the country around us the day was not celebrated at all.

Sun., Dec. 1. Advent. Bro. Bahnson preached from the gospel lesson, Matt. 21:1, etc. The audience was good and to all appearances attentive. S.S. as usual. In the evening Bro. Bahnson kept the usual meeting. It was very well attended. The time honored appropriate and beautiful piece "Hosanna" was sung and had no doubt attracted some by its permanent popularity. Cold: 20°.

Wed., Dec. 4. The "hog cholera" prevailing extensively not very far from us, a general slaughter of swine took place this week, more than is commonly the case.

Fri., Dec. 20. The S.S. scholars gave a very interesting entertainment which met with universal favor. More than \$50 was collected for the S.S. library. The church was very full, and all went off very well.

Tues., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. At 4 1/2 Bro. Bahnson kept the usual meeting for the little children and at 7 the lovefeast for the congregation. Both meetings were very full; many uninvited strangers were in. There ought to be an alteration in the matter.

Wed., Dec. 25. Christmas day. At 10 A.M. Bro. Bahnson preached from Luke 2:8-12 to an unexpectedly large congregation. A collection was taken up for our foreign mission, but it not being generally known, only a small sum was obtained. At 2 o'clock all the ministerial brethren in town attended a lovefeast in the African church given by Br. E. A. Vogler, the superintendent of that S. School. The performances were very creditable and proved that great pains had been bestowed upon the scholars by their faithful teachers. In the evening there was a Christmas Carol in the Academy.

Tues., Dec. 31. Yesterday morning it began to snow and continued all day and all night and part of today. The deepest

snow we have had for long years. The wind from the northeast was high and very cold.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1867

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sun., Jan. 6. Found on arriving at the church that there had been no S.S. as only about 9 or 10 colored persons were present. Br. Vogler had held a prayer meeting, which was just over. Of course there was no preaching. Gave Br. V. a few little picture cards which Br. J. Deardorff of Canal Dover, Ohio, had sent me for the colored children.

Sun., Jan. 13. S.S. has been dropped for the present. As but very few were present, I kept the service at the table, speaking on Ps. 27.

Sun., Jan. 20. No congregation assembled, there having been a deep fall of snow last night and today, and no paths yet made.

Soon after this services were dropped altogether on account of the prevalence of the smallpox. They were resumed in March, and continued regularly. The reading meetings of the Passion Week were held as usual, and the Easter Morning Litany prayed on the old burial ground before the church, a numerous congregation being present.

Fri., Oct. 13. At the usual hour for service, there was an adult baptism. Two females, Priscilla the wife of Alexander Vogler, and Martha, daughter of Ben Zevely, who had been attending instruction, were baptized, and then partook of the Lord's Supper with the congregation. Only 17 communed, besides a few of the S.S. teachers. Br. Bahnson was present and kept the Communion, Br. O. serving.

Sun., Oct. 20. S.S. and preaching. At 7 P.M. prayer meeting. As the members had asked permission to hold their Sunday evening prayer meeting (which they have been keeping at their houses) in the church, it was granted, provided the pastor or some other responsible person could be present. They wish to have it as much as possible in their own hands, and therefore require a little supervision. Time will show its results.

Services were continued on the remaining Sundays of the year with occasional exceptions. In the month of November a protracted series of meetings was held, conducted on the

Methodist plan. Unusual interest having been manifested at their private prayer meetings, the colored people had asked permission to hold them in the church, Br. E. A. Vogler consenting to take them in charge. (Br. O. was present twice, but not being accustomed to the mode of procedure, could not find himself at home in the exercises.) There was evidently great earnestness prevailing and a large number, after having come forward as mourners, professed to have found the pardon of their sins, and peace in Jesus.

Wed., Dec. 25. The Sunday School, under Br. Vogler's active superintendence, had a celebration similar to that of last year. A number of the scholars recited verses or Scripture passages, and Br. V. presented a Bible to the best scholar of each class. The exercises were very creditable to teachers and scholars. At the close addresses were made by Brn. Bahnson, Wheeler (the Methodist clergyman at Winston), and Grunert.

The number of communicant members, according to the catalogue is about 40, but of these some must be considered as "doubtful" members.

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1867

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Jan 28.

3. The use of the English as well as of the German language in the 2nd Communion is henceforth to be optional.

Mon., Feb. 18.

2. The departure of church members *only* should be announced in the usual manner from the steeple.

3. The right hand of fellowship having been substituted for the kiss in the last Communion, the Board decided that the change should be a permanent one.

Tues., May 7.

4. Br. Fulkerson, being about to leave Salem for Bethlehem, Pa., tendered his resignation as a member of this Board.

Mon., June 24.

2. Br. Nathl. Blum was present as a new member of the Board, having been elected by the Congr. Council held May 14th. Br. A. Spach was re-elected.

5. The new Communion Books have arrived, and will henceforth be used.

Thurs., Aug. 15.

5. The improper conduct of some young men and boys while attending public worship was commented on. It was thought the nuisance might be abated if families sat together, but with the present arrangement of seats, this cannot well be done.

6. A spirit of worldliness appears to be increasingly prevalent in the congregation. Dancing, card playing, etc., are indulged in by some. It was regretted that there is no positive prohibition of such worldly amusements in our Church rules, or Synodal Resolutions, so that remonstrance is all that is possible, to which but little regard is generally paid.

Tues., Sept. 24.

2. The former custom of taking the larger girls to church in a body cannot well be revived.

Tues., Oct. 8.

4. The Negroes have requested permission to hold prayer meetings in their church on Sunday evenings. As they desire to conduct them in the Methodist way, it was feared they might become disorderly. Permission, however, was granted, provided either the Pastor or some other responsible person would preside.

Mon., Dec. 30.

2. A collection for our mission station on the islands of St. Thomas and St. John's, which have suffered by a hurricane and repeated earthquakes, will be taken up on the first Sunday in January.

5. The colored congregn. having petitioned for preaching in the A.M. instead of P.M. after the Sunday School, the Board consented to the change.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1867
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Fri., Feb. 8. Extra session. Not present Br. N. Blum.

2. The Salem Savings Institute being at present engaged in paying 10 percent on certificates dated prior to May 1, 1861, and 5 percent on those of a later date, Board resolved that the amount to be thus paid to Salem Diacony be loaned to private individuals in preference to being deposited in the National Bank established some months since at this place.

Tues., Feb. 26. Full Board.

1. [The] Salem Savings Institute has paid 10% on all certificates held by Salem Diacony and . . . the money received has been loaned to Br. E. A. Vogler on his note at 6 percent.

3. Br. Wm. Winkler, now deceased, having in 1851 received permission to erect a barn and to fence in a small piece of ground at the forks of the Old Shallowford and Papermill road, at the S.E. corner of Br. Levin Brietz's plantation . . . it was resolved that in case said barn be sold, it should be on condition that it be removed, as its location might hereafter interfere with the laying out of town lots.

Board having understood that the coloured people living in town have an idea of buying said barn and converting it into a school house—for which purpose they are now taking up a collection—it was resolved that they be told that in case they succeed in raising a sufficient amount to erect a school house, this Board promises to furnish them with a suitable piece of ground near town on which to build it.

6. It was resolved to confine the tops of the 4 cedar trees standing in the middle of the Graveyard by chains, in order to prevent them from leaning apart, and perhaps eventually from being broken down when heavily loaded with ice, one of them especially growing in a very slanting position.

Thurs., Apr. 11. Full Board.

Minutes of last meeting having been read and adopted, it was stated that since then the new streets in Winston had been opened and cleared as required.

1. Board understanding that the coloured people have postponed the building of a school house till later in the year, being for the present provided with a school room, it was

resolved to delay further action in this matter (see §3 of last minutes) till we hear from Br. E. A. Vogler, who has taken the case in hand, what further progress the coloured people have made in their plans, and what desires they have expressed with regard to the location of the house.

Tues., June 4. Not present Br. James Leinbach (not at home).

Congregation Council having at the annual meeting in May re-elected Br. Charles Hauser and chosen Br. James Leinbach in place of Br. Nathl. Blum, whose term having expired was elected a member of the Board of Elders, the Board of Trustees now consists of the following elected members, viz.: Brn. J. G. Sides, John D. Siewers, Edward Blum, Augustus Pfohl, Charles Hauser, and James Leinbach.

Board organized by electing Br. S. Thos. Pfohl (the Warden) as President and Secretary.

2. The attention of the Board was directed to the yearly contribution of \$50 by the Single Sisters' Diacony to the Church account. This amount had been fixed upon at a time when the Sisters Diacony was in the receipt of a regular and not inconsiderable income. But since, owing to the general distress and disarrangement of money matters in the South, its receipts have much decreased (e.g., the receipts of interest from about \$500 to \$45 in the last year), it becomes an impossibility for this Diacony to meet all the expenses formerly resting upon it, and Board consequently resolved that this annual contribution be discontinued.

3. The contribution annually expected from the Salem Diacony for the benefit of Wachovia Sustentation of \$375, of which, however, \$87 are made up by Female Academy and Single Sisters Diacony, next formed the subject of deliberation.

The same causes, as stated above in the case of the Single Sisters Diacony operating injuriously upon the condition of the Salem Diacony, render it equally desirable that something should be done in this case also. But as the Salem Diacony is obligated to the payment of an annual contribution to the Wachovia Sustentation according to a mutual agreement entered into between the Conferences of Salem (Aeltesten Conferenz and Aufseher Collegium) and the Proprietor of the Unity's Possessions in Wachovia in 1826, when the Salem tract of land was bo't for the use and benefit of this Congregation, brotherly courtesy requires that no steps be taken in this

matter without due notice being given to the other party interested in the case.

Tues., July 2. Not present Br. Aug. Pfohl (not at home).

The minutes of last meeting having been read and adopted, the President remarked in reference to §3 that the matter there treated of had been bro't to the notice of the Provincial Elders' Conference, who being of opinion that the subject under discussion properly belonged to the Financial Board of the Wachovia Sustentation, a meeting of that Board had accordingly been held, and the present condition of Salem Diacony having been represented to them, it was agreed upon in that Board that the annual contribution of \$288 heretofore resting solely upon Salem Diacony be for the present reduced to \$150, with the understanding that in case the financial condition of Salem Diacony should improve, the contribution in aid of Wachovia Sustentation be again increased as far as can be done without injury to the Diacony, as stipulated already in the contract of the sale of the Salem town land. Board of Trustees on their part unanimously agree to this proposition of the Financial Board.

Mon., Aug. 19. Special meeting. Not present Br. Chs. Hauser.

1. The Freedmen of Salem and vicinity having on Aug. 12, 1867, held a meeting and elected Alexander Vogler, Robert Waugh, and Lewis Hege a Committee, authorizing them to apply for and, if granted, in conjunction with the Trustees of Salem Congregation to select and locate a suitable lot of ground whereon to erect a School House for the use of the Freedmen of Salem and vicinity, said Committee now came in with the request that a locality for said purpose be granted them, situated on the hillside south of the so called "Brothers' Spring" and eastwardly of the Waughtown road.

The Board of Trustees, agreeing with the applicants as to the suitableness of the locality for the intended purpose, and desirous of aiding the Freedmen of Salem and vicinity in their laudable undertaking, do hereby grant to them the undisturbed use of said locality free of rent, on the following conditions, viz.: *that the building to be erected on said lot is to be used exclusively for School purposes and for none other, and 2ndly that the title to the land remain in the Proprietor as heretofore.*

The Brn. J. G. Sides, J. D. Siewers, and E. A. Vogler were appointed a Committee on the part of the Board of Trustees, in conjunction with the Committee elected by the Freedmen to lay off said lot and to determine its size.

2. It having been incidentally remarked at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees that Salem Diacony, according to the decision of the State Treasurer being free from payment of State taxes, would consequently also be exempt from payment of Town taxes.

This remark led today to the following resolution on the part of the Board of Trustees, viz.: That we on our part waive the right of exemption from Town taxes, in as much as Salem Diacony is on account of its property most deeply interested in all the corporate institutions and arrangements intended for the safety and well being of all property, and should consequently assist in bearing its proportionate share of the expenses incurred for the public good.

Tues., Sept. 24. Not present Brn. J. G. Sides and Aug. F. Pfohl.

1. A communication from the President of the Board of Elders, requesting a list of all the members of the Salem Congregation who have refused to contribute any sum towards the discharge of the regular dues of membership without assigning a sufficient reason or being exonerated by the Board of Trustees, was laid before the Board.

To the above request no definite answer can be given at this time, because, altho' there are such among our church members as are not as punctual in the payment of their church dues as might be desired, still thus far not one of them has actually *refused* to pay. A number, however, have when called upon declared themselves unable to pay immediately, and promising to do so as soon as they could.

2. The yearly accounts of Salem Diacony from May 1, 1866, to April 30, 1867, as also a statement of its assets and liabilities at the latter date were next communicated to the Board. The result was that the receipts exceeded the disbursements by \$15.54 and that \$590.26 have been added to the Lot funds.

Among the assets, the notes, bonds, bank stock, and certificates in Salem Savings Institute amounting to \$30,810.40 are still in the same uncertain condition as to their real value as they have been for some years already, owing to the disturbed

condition of all money matters in the South. A similar remark will apply to the debtors in account current, and little or nothing can be done at this time in order to remedy this state of affairs.

Tues., Oct. 22. Not present Br. Edwd. Blum.

1. The annual accounts of the single Sisters Diacony and the statement of its assets and liabilities on April 30th of this year were communicated to the Board. From the accounts it appears that the disbursements exceed the receipts by \$29.90. The assets of this Diacony are in the same uncertain condition as those of Salem Diacony, it being impossible at present to foresee what amount may eventually be realized from them.

Within a few days \$506 have been received on the capital invested in certificates of the Salem Savings Institute, and it was resolved to apply them towards payment of the note due to Wachovia Sustentation.

2. The freedman David (living with Br. E. A. Schweinitz) asks permission to build a small house or hut on the outlot of Mr. Lemly (who is willing to let him have one acre of his lot), promising to leave the house on the lot when he goes away.

Board can not give the desired permission, because by doing so we would at once open the way for others to come in with similar requests, the consequences of which would be the building of a number of huts on the many outlots around town now rented to different individuals, which has thus far not been permitted by this Board.

Tues., Nov. 19. Not present Brn. James Leinbach and Edwd. Blum (the latter not at home).

3. A communication from Br. Bahnson, Pastor of the Congregation, to the Board of Trustees, stating his inability to live and maintain his family upon the salary he is receiving and asking for assistance in this respect, was laid before the Board.

After some conversation on the subject of this communication the matter was laid over to the next meeting as the Board was not full today.

Tues., Dec. 3. Full Board.

2. Board next again took up the communication of Br. G. F. Bahnson lying over from last meeting (§3) and concluded, by

a majority of vote, to grant him a bonus of \$75 upon his application, trusting to be able to cover this extra expense at the end of the fiscal year by the sale of town lots, as it will be impossible under the present financial condition of the Diacony to do so from its regular income.

4. A certain freedman named Tony, a man of good character and standing, is desirous of buying one of the town lots near the mill for the purpose of living on it with his family in order to be near to the church and school. As we have thus far not yet sold any of our lots to freedmen, this application opens that subject for consideration, and it was laid over for deliberation to a future meeting.

Tues., Dec. 17. Br. Edwd. Blum not present.

1. The question of selling town lots to freedmen, bro't up by the application of Tony (see §4 of last minutes), was discussed. Altho' a considerable number of this class of people are now living in town in rented dwellings, and altho' according to present laws of the country they are entitled to hold landed property, still Board felt reluctant, for different reasons, to entertain the idea of selling town lots to them, the chief reason being the decided unwillingness of a large majority of the citizens of the town to have them settled permanently among us. Such being the case, and Board being of opinion that in a matter of this kind the voice of the citizens should not be disregarded, resolved that for the present no town lots be sold to freedmen.

*Minutes of a Meeting held at the African Church in Salem on
Monday evening, August 12th, 1867.*

[Transcribed in full.]

After a lecture delivered by James Harris on the subject of education in which he urged his friends to be active and endeavour to organize at once and erect a suitable School-House, etc., a separate and smaller meeting convened for the purpose on [of] organization. There were about 30 men present, among them the following:

Isaac Clemmons
William Siewers

Anderson Smith
Jack Reich

Martin Banner
 Jack Masten
 Dave Brietz
 Clark Light
 Anthony McNeely
 Abner Smith
 Emanuel Lemly
 Henry Boyd
 Lewis Hege

George Fries
 Albert Meinung
 Lewis Foltz
 Tom Davis
 Robert Waugh
 William Reich
 George Boles
 Harry Fries
 Alexander Vogler

Peter Fries

After an interchange of ideas and a relating of the various hindrances and difficulties heretofore experienced a motion was made and carried unanimously: "That a Committee of Three be appointed by this meeting, who shall be authorized and empowered to apply for and, if granted, in conjunction with the Trustees of the Town of Salem, select and locate a suitable lot of ground whereon to erect a School House, and the action of said Committee shall be legal, binding, and final."

The following persons were then by vote selected to form said Committee:

Alexander Vogler
 Robert Waugh
 Lewis Hege

Whenever they have performed this duty, said Committee shall call another meeting and report progress, so that further necessary steps may be taken.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes written by E. A. Vogler, who was present.

Provincial Financial Board, 1867
 [Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

June 7 [6?]. Br. Rights absent.

1. Br. Lewis Rights' statement of receipts from his congregation for the year 1866 is as follows: from Bethania congr. \$225.875, from Bethabara congr. \$28, total \$253.875.

2. Br. Cooper's statement of receipts from the congregations for 1866 is the following: from Friedland, Hope, and Kernersville in cash \$140, oats \$10, corn \$70, total \$220.

3. These statements brought up the question anew, whether the guarantee of \$300 per annum to every country minister made by the Provincial Synod of 1856 was to be considered as still in force (see §2 minutes of April 17, 1866). The result of the discussion of this matter was that the Resolutions of '56 were to be considered in force until changed or adapted to existing circumstances by the next Provincial Synod.

4. On motion it was resolved that as many of the coupons of the Old N.C. Bonds as were needed should be sold at the present market value. The Treasurer informed the Board that he had received \$627 as the 1st installment on deposits in Salem Savings Institute, and requested to be directed how to dispose of this sum. Board left it to the discretion of the Treasurer to dispose of it as seemed best to him.

5. Christian Hauser and others have commenced a suit against the owner of the Old Town Mill on account of the obstructions in Mill Creek which cause its frequent overflowing. They request the assistance of the Board in paying the costs. Board took no action in this matter.

6. The Board of Trustees of Salem Congr. petition for a reduction in the amount of the annual contribution of Salem Congr. Diacy. to Wa. S. Diac. They base their request on the heavy losses incurred by Congr. Diacy. Board, in consideration of the present financial difficulties of the Diacy., deemed it not more than just, to reduce the annual contribution to \$150, until Congr. Diacy. has recovered from its depressed condition.

7. On motion Board appropriated the sum of \$50 to the new Church at Kernersville.

Thurs., Nov. 7. Br. E. A. Vogler absent.

1. Treasurer reported that he had loaned the \$627 (see §4 minutes of June 6, 1867) to Br. E. A. Vogler to be paid on demand. Board sanctioned this loan.

2. The yearly accounts of Wa. Susten. Diacy. from June 1, 1866, to May 31, 1867, were submitted by the Treasurer. The total amount of receipts was \$2,535.95 and of disbursements \$2,212.48. The former include a contribution from Salem Female Academy of \$1,500, the latter losses on coupons and counterfeit notes amounting to \$578. There is therefore at the

close of the fiscal year a surplus of \$323.47. In the statement of assets and liabilities, many assets are included of very doubtful or only nominal value. The Provincial Fund remains nominally \$32,926.33, Fund Account stands at \$4,256.28. It was ordered by the Board that the surplus should be used: 1st to cancel Bookstore Account amounting to \$22.77; 2dly, the balance, \$300.70, to be credited to Coupon Reserve.

Treasurer having informed the Board that he had \$1,000 on hand for which he had no immediate use and that Brn. E. A. Vogler and Augustus Pfohl had applied to him for a loan in order to set their new shoe factory a-going, on motion it was ordered that these \$1,000 be loaned at 6% to the above named brethren.

4. Br. C. Lewis Rights' subscription lists for salary from his congregations for 1867 amount to about \$243. This sum is not sufficient for his support. He is in need of clothing for the winter for himself and family, and asks for \$100 additional for this purpose, which was granted by Board.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1867

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Sun., Jan. 20. About daybreak it commenced snowing and snowed very rapidly till about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. It was the severest snow storm in ten years. There was no meeting.

Sun., Jan. 27. I preached in the church today. The ground is still covered with snow.

Thurs., Feb. 28. Preached the funeral and buried the remains of Mr. John Shore in Yadkin County. ([Bethania Report:] I went to a Mr. Poindexter in my conveyance, and he took me across the river in a canoe. There was a large congregation present.)

Sun., Mar. 3. A very rainy day. I preached in German from John 14:6: I am the way and the truth and the life. I did not go to Bethabara.

Sat., Mar. 15 [16]. There has been rain and snow almost every day the past week, and today it is snowing. The roads are worse now on account of mud than they have been during the whole winter.

Tues.-Thurs., Mar. 19-21. Northeast wind with rain and sleet. The streets are fearfully muddy, and nearly everybody out of wood for three weeks. It has been raining or snowing almost every day. All farm work is stopped and no oats sowed.

Mon., Mar. 25. A beautiful spring morning, the first of the season.

Sat., Apr. 13. A number of the brethren came in from the country to make fence around the lot adjoining brother Rinehold Oehman.

Thurs., Apr. 18. Maundy Thursday. Reading and Communion. ([Bethania Report:] The attendance was very good, not only by our own members, but a number of our Methodist friends were present and participated in the Communion. Brother John Grabs was present and remarked that it was as full a communion as he had ever seen. The widowed Sister Mary Shore was also present for the first time in seven years.)

Fri., Apr. 19. Good Friday. ([Bethania Report:] Between twelve and one o'clock a messenger came to town saying that the fire had broke out in brother Jacob Warner's field, and was burning up the fence between him and brother William Lineback's. The citizens went out and with considerable effort succeeded in putting it out for the present and get back in time for the afternoon meeting. But just as the last meeting closed there was another cry that it had broken out again, and it was only at night after the wind ceased blowing that it was finally stopped. It burnt up about two thousand rails for brother Lineback and a good many for brother Warner.)

Sat., Apr. 20. ([Bethania Report:] A number of the brethren from town went to help brother William rebuild his fence.)

Sun., Apr. 21. Easter Sunday. At 5 o'clock went on the graveyard. At 10 preaching. In the afternoon went to Bethabara, went on the Graveyard, afterwards preaching. The Bethania band was present [at Bethabara] and played a number of Church tunes. ([Bethania Report concerning the Bethabara Easter services:] . . . the band playing our solemn Church tunes, the first time such a thing has occurred since the Old Town Jubilee.)

Sun., May 12. Preaching at Bethania at 10 o'clock and at Crooked Run at 3 o'clock P.M. The attendance at Crooked Run was quite good notwithstanding a new sect of Baptists had a meeting at the County Line school house three miles from here. Their preacher's name is Sparks, from Wilkes County. They call

themselves the Free Will Baptists, and of course denounce all other Baptists, and every other denomination. They have immersed several persons in the neighborhood of the Pilot, and being something new, a great many go to hear them. Today Robert Hill, hard shell Baptist, and Virgil Wilson, Campbellite, were to meet at "Beck's Meeting House" to have a discussion, but Hill did not come and Virgil did all the abusing by himself. ([Bethania Report:] Of course it drew a crowd, and that is what they want.)

Sun., June 16. Trinity Sunday. Bethania Sunday School Anniversary. Brother Emil de Schweinitz preached. . . . In the afternoon the exercises of the Sunday School were continued. At the close brother Schweinitz addressed the children. ([Bethania Report:] The only drawback was a dipping in Brother Lash's mill pond at four o'clock.)

Wed., July 31. Brother Reichel, Bishop, a member of the Unity Elders Conference from Berthelsdorf, in company with brother Bahnson visited Bethania and preached at night.

Sun., Aug. 4. Preached at Bethania from Matthew 25:36-39. In the afternoon Brother Edwin Rineka preached at Bethabara from the 106th Psalm . . . and at night at Bethania from Rev. 22:20. . . . There was a good congregation present and all seemed very attentive to hear him.

Sun., Aug. 11. Celebrated the festival of the 13th. After the [last] meeting was dismissed and I had already gone over into the house, someone came and said there was a young man in the church on his knees praying, and they could not get him away. I remarked I was glad of it, and went back, and found it so. Several of the brethren were with him. After a few words of encouragement we united with him in prayer, and the Lord blessed him with the assurance of the forgiveness of his sins, and he went home rejoicing.

Tues., Aug. 13. Evening meeting in the school house. Before meeting, I had a conversation with the young woman that [was] a inquirer last night. She said [she] had been baptized by Mr. Wilson but she was not satisfied. She said: I am not a Christian, I know nothing about a change of heart, and how will I know it. I told her she must only continue in prayer and the Lord would make it all right. During the meeting she again requested prayer, and before we parted she expressed herself entirely satisfied.

Wed., Aug. 14. Today I received a long and somewhat curious letter from Rev. Virgil Wilson, the Campbellite preacher at Pfafftown, inviting me to come and examine into the spiritual condition of his members, and if I found them to be Christians, say so, and if not, teach them a better way.

Sat., Aug. 17. Celebrated the festival of the 13th of August and the Children's Festival combined at Bethabara. The attendance was good, the best, it is said, for many years. I preached from Deut. 32:7: Remember the days of old, the years of many generations, etc. I was listened to with fixed attention. At 2 o'clock there was a lovefeast for all, and the cakes and coffee were just right. At Bethania we can't have Lovefeast nor Children's Feast, the members are too poor or contrary—one. During the Lovefeast I addressed the children. Afterwards we celebrated the communion, and the Lord was with us and blest us. It is a great pity that Bethabara was left for years to die out. If the proper steps had been taken in time, there might now be a respectable congregation of living Christians instead of a small handful.

Sat., Aug. 24. Committee meeting at Bethabara. A request for a room in the parsonage for a School. Committee refused.

Sun., Sept. 1. Sunday School celebration at Bethabara. The exercises began at 9 o'clock A.M. At 1/2 after 10 I preached from Mark 12:41-44. In the late afternoon the exercises were resumed consisting of recitations interspersed with singing and was creditable to teachers and children. The Trombone Band from Bethania was present and filled up the interval with sacred music. The exercises were out of doors at the south end of the Church under a spacious arbor of green boughs, and everything passed off apparently to the entire satisfaction of all present, and reminded one of the Jubilee celebration with that exception, perhaps there never has been such a collection of people at Bethabara before. After the people were dismissed there was a meeting of the adult male members of the church to decide whether they may use one of the rooms in the parsonage for 3 months for a weekday school for the children of the church in town. The vote was six to two for a school. ([Bethania Report:] After the people were dismissed the heads of families met to decide whether Mr. Samuel Fogle might have the use of one of the rooms in the Parsonage to keep an every day school in for the children of the place. All voted in favor it

but Henry Fogle and John Shore.) During the day I received another letter from Virgil Wilson.

Sun., Sept. 22. Preached at Bethania in the morning, at Spanish Grove in the afternoon . . . and at night at Bethabara—quite a revival in progress here.

Mon.-Wed., Sept. 23-25. Meeting at Bethabara at night.

Sun., Sept. 29. Married people's festival. All the communicants were invited to the Lovefeast and Communion. At 1/2 past 9 o'clock a meeting for the married people during which the children sang a number of verses from the choir. At 10 o'clock brother [Henry] Cooper preached from Isaiah 49:13. At 2 o'clock there was Lovefeast, during which brother William Leinbach's new choir class sang a number of pieces. Afterward there was communion, well attended. ([Bethania Report:] Several of the old Brethren and Sisters say they never saw as many persons at a Communion in that Church before. I had to divide [the communion bread] into four pieces and I just had enough and not one piece left.)

Sat., Oct. 12. At 4 o'clock P.M. confirmation instruction at Bethabara, 23 persons present.

Sun., Oct. 13. In the afternoon I preached for the colored people at their church. It was the funeral of Amanda Louise Stauber and also the funeral of her infant son George Franklin Stauber. She died on the 13th of July and the child on the 26th of August last. I spoke from Mark 1:15. The services were out of doors, as the house would not have held half that were present, and all listened with marked attention. At the close I baptized the infant son of George and Casy Stauber, name Calvin Lincoln. There is [at] present a Sunday School of about 160 scholars, young and old, in operation here under the superintendence of the Brethren Zacharia Hege, Rinehold Oahman and others. The meeting house, which was so dilapidated that it was dangerous to meet in it, has been repaired, a new roof put on, and a cupola at one end with a bell in it presented by Messrs. Israel and Thos. Lash, and the house is whitewashed outside and makes a very neat and cheerful appearance, especially from a distance. A number have expressed a desire to have preaching and have handed in their names to organize a colored "Moravian Church."

Sun., Oct. 27. Preaching at Bethania, and at the colored Church in the afternoon.

Tues., Nov. 5. This morning brother [Phillip] Pfaff went to his fish trap and got a fine mess of fish which he gave me to take home, and brother Thomas Conrad sent me word to come by. He had some beef for me, and I was not slow in accepting the offer, and I went home well loaded. It came very acceptable, for bread and molasses and black coffee is rather dry living.

Sun., Nov. 10. Attended the dedication of the new Moravian Church at Kernersville. The Brethren Bahnson [and] E. A. de Schweinitz from Salem and Leinbach from Friedberg preached.

Mon., Nov. 11. I preached in the new Church at Kernersville in the morning from John 18:36: My Kingdom is not of this world. In the afternoon brother Cooper preached, and I again at night from Isaiah 53:1.

Sat., Nov. 16. Bethabara anniversary address and confirmation of 24.

Sun., Nov. 17. Celebration of the 13th of November at Bethania. Preaching in the forenoon and Communion in the afternoon and prayer meeting at night. The day was fine, and the meetings were well attended.

Sun., Nov. 24. Attended a Sunday School celebration at Double Bridges School House and preached at 11 o'clock. The afternoon was by the children in singing, recitations, etc. A collection was taken up for the benefit of the school amounting to \$6, and although the day was unfavorable there were a great many persons present and all seemed to be interested and pleased with what they heard and saw.

Sun., Dec. 22. Owing to difficulties that took place last night in reference to the singing, decoration, etc., there was no preaching today. Brother Solomon Transou called on me about 10 o'clock to see what could be done to mend up matters, as certain parties had determined to tear down the decoration tomorrow morning. I told him if the understanding was that the children were to be crowded out they might tear it down, but the best way would be to get the Committee together this afternoon and talk the matter over and try and make some adjustment of the unhappy affair. ([Bethania Report:] I told him if the idea was to crowd the children out of the singing they might tear it down, but the children would sing, for Christmas was *their* day.) At 2 o'clock the Committee met, and after talking the matter over it was concluded to ring the bell and get the people together, and I should set the whole matter before them, which was accordingly done, and in half an hour

everything was amicable arranged to the satisfaction of all parties, and on separating good feeling again prevailed, and thus ended one of the stormiest scenes it has ever been my misfortune to participate in, and I hope I may never witness the like again.

Tues., Dec. 24. At 6 o'clock Lovefeast for the children. The evening was fine and the church was full. The Sunday School children had an interesting Christmas recitation interspersed with singing alternately with the choir, and especially in the last piece, as the chorus "O Star of Wonder, Star of Might" welled up. There were but few dry eyes in that assembly. It was truly an interesting time. After meeting, however, the town was thrown into an excitement by the running away of brother William Leinbach's horses with the wagon, but nobody was hurt.

Wed., Dec. 25. ([Bethania Report:] At 1/2 past 10 there was preaching. At 2 P.M. the colored Sunday School had their Lovefeast. It was an interesting time. They sang a number of hymns, and well too, and the children were presented with cards and wax tapers, and a number of the adults with Bibles by Brother Hage. As soon as the services were over here, I went to Bethabara, where they had their services at night consisting of an address and a Lovefeast for all and wax tapers for the children, and although the evening proved rainy, about three hundred took Lovefeast. Here too the Sunday School children sang some beautiful Christmas hymns.)

Thurs., Dec. 26. Brother Benj. Leinbach had a lovefeast for his Sunday School children at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Friedberg Diary, with Macedonia, Muddy Creek, 1867
[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of R. Parmenio
Leinbach.]

Thurs., Jan. 3. Sr. L. and myself went over to Br. Walk's in a sleigh.

Sun., Jan. 13. As there were but few present on account of the weather, I rewarded the scholars and had prayer meeting. The brn. John Knauss, S. Woosely, and Nath. Mock participated.

Sun., Jan. 20. Snowing today. No one here. About noon it stopped.

Mon., Jan. 21. After dinner Sr. L. and myself started to Salem. We had one upset on the road.

Sat., Feb. 9. Raining. Searching among and arranging church papers, diaries, etc., as everything was in confusion.

Mon., Feb. 18. Went over to Br. Seides mill and brot over two bushels of corn left for me by Br. Lashmit.

Thurs., Feb. 28. Planted 28 peach trees which I brot from Br. Hege's yesterday. A number of brn. here making fence around new ground. I had the rails made.

Sun., Mar 3. On account of continuous rain did . . .

Mon., Mar. 4. . . . Writing for *The Moravian*. Rain.

Tues., Mar. 5. Raining again. Sr. L. and myself working at the contents of the walnut closet, trying to get them into some sort of order. Everything in confusion.

Thurs., Mar. 6 [7]. Working upstairs again. Thunderstorms and heavy rain, or rather sleet, are the order of the day. Finished my "article" for *The Moravian*.

Thurs., Mar. 21. Raining again. Cleared up in evening. I am always glad for rainy days, as I can then with a clear conscience stay at home and attend to my duties of reading and writing. To get thro' with visiting, as these people desire it, would require every day in the week.

Sat., Apr. 13. Today we exhibited the magic lantern to the Sunday School scholars in the church. 'Twas darkened for the purpose. The children were much pleased.

Sun., Apr. 21. Easter Sunday. The people came in numbers. The Salem brass band headed the procession, and the order was good.

Mon., Apr. 22. Went to Br. Hege's store house, and exhibited the magic lantern for the benefit of the Sunday School, as some of the brn. were so silly as to object to its being used in the church.

Sat., May 4. [Single] Srs. Feast. About 60 present; 30 communed. Before the first service the Srs. all came into the room to the "Sprechen." This is the only Choir of the church which is so honored with this ancient custom.

Wed., May 8. Went to Salem; brot lovefeast cups down. Received a letter from one of my dear friends in Penna. containing a check for \$30 to pay my way north to attend consecration of the monument erected in the old Nazareth Indian Graveyard.

Sat., May 11. [Anniversary festival at Friedberg.] Br. Bahnson preached on the text "My soul doth magnify the Lord" [Luke 1:46], the same words upon which Br. Ludolph Backhof preached the first discourse ever delivered in this country.¹

Tues., May 21. Started to Pennsylvania, where I attended the session of the Northern Provincial Synod at Litiz. I spent several weeks out there, during which time I collected about \$200 for our impoverished Sunday Schools. I returned to Friedberg Saturday, June 22.

Thurs., July 11. Plowing in my corn today until I broke down entirely. Had to get one of my neighbors to finish the corn for me.

Fri., July 26. [B]uried Levi Covis' wife at Friedberg. He had refused to send for me, and had requested Br. Rominger to preach her funeral. As it was contrary to the spirit of our rules, I preached the funeral and Br. Rominger followed with some remarks.

Mon., July 29. Ever since I broke down in the cornfield I have been subject to a nervous twitching or jerking of the muscles of limbs, which oftentimes prevents me from resting.

Fri., Aug. 9. Today I am indisposed. I suppose my liver is torpid. I feel very badly and must take some rhubarb.

Sat., Aug. 10. Br. Ernst Reichel and his lady were here today, present at the celebration of the 13th together with Br. and Sr. Bahnson. Br. Reichel preached in German, which was afterwards rendered into English by Br. Bahnson. This service was followed by Lovefeast and Communion, both kept by Br. Bahnson. Sr. Reichel took a number of sketches of the church and surroundings and pronounced it a "Lieblings-wohnung." She was so much surprised to see our turkeys, as only the wealthiest can afford to keep such birds in Germany. Br. Reichel appears much pleased with the spirit in which our services were conducted, and both seemed to have enjoyed themselves very much. There were about 150 communicants here.

¹In a preface to the Friedberg Diary in 1770, Br. Bachhoff recollected that he spoke on Luke 1:46-47 at the home of Adam Spach on Tuesday, November 27, 1759 (unpublished MS, Moravian Archives, Winston-Salem, North Carolina). The following Sunday, December 2, he more formally preached "for the first time below the Ens." See *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina*, 1:214.

Tues., Aug. 13. Waiting for Br. Cooper, who was to have come and make a tour of the country to collect money for Kernersville Church. He did not come.

Thurs., Aug. 15. Raining this morning; 'tis delicious weather. We trust the backbone of the drouht is broken, and that we will have good weather now, i.e., rainy weather.

Sun., Aug. 25. Service at Friedberg in morning. Afternoon there was no appointment to fill, and for the first time in a good while I spent the afternoon with my family.

Mon., Aug. 26. This morning I took my family to Mt. Olivet,¹ a Methodist Church, where a protracted meeting was in progress. I preached with much freedom from Psalm 8:4.

Fri., Aug. 30. Went to Dr. Shelton's to register.

Thurs., Sept. 4 [5]. Last night on my return home, found a summons awaiting me to serve as witness in the trial of Sol. Spach and others against his father's will. Was at the court-house all day.

Tues., Wed., Sept. 10, 11. Busily engaged in drying the peaches found on the place. There are but few peach trees on the place; and tho' I have planted a great many, a number have died, and the rest will probably not do me much good.

Thurs., Sept. 19. [W]ent with Br. Ernst to examine the meadow. Found it overgrown, covered with willows, sand, and trash. It is and has been in a miserably neglected condition so long that it will require a great deal of labor to recover it, and it is doubtful if anything can ever be done with it.

Tues., Sept. 24. Took a load of flour, bacon, chickens, lard, potatoes, salt, coffee, sugar, and rice to Sr. Barbara Miller. She had been sick 11 weeks, made an appeal to the congregation thro' me, and I presented her case from the pulpit with marvellous success.

Sat., Sept. 28. Today our [protracted] meeting commenced.

Mon., Sept. 30. After meeting, Noah Kimmel ([Friedberg Report:] an acknowledged ringleader in the ranks of the ungodly), who was among the mourners, professed to have found peace in believing. He seems to have many friends, and all were rejoiced that he found peace.

¹Mt. Olivet Church is at the intersection of Mt. Olivet and Community Roads half a mile northeast of Arcadia in Davidson County.

Tues., Oct. 1. Protracted meeting at Friedberg. We closed then, as the meeting seemed to be cold and comparatively lifeless.

Mon., Tues., Oct. 14, 15. Busy at home preparing a discourse on baptism to be delivered at Muddy Creek.

Sun., Oct. 20. Spoke on baptism at Muddy Creek in afternoon. Br. Meatcham of the Episcopal Methodist Church spoke in the morning. Rev. Mr. Cornish of the Baptist church has spoken so much on the subject that the people do not know what is right and correct. Br. Cornish became much excited whilst Br. Meatcham remained perfectly cool, and we certainly had the advantage of the man. There has been much less said about baptism since that time. In the evening went over to Farmington in Davie Co. and remained at Br. C. Bahnson's.

Sun., Nov. 10. Went to Kernersville in company with Br. B. Spach and Jesse Mock to attend consecration of the Moravian Church at that place. Br. Bahnson preached in morning. Br. Schweinitz in afternoon, and I in evening.

Mon., Nov. 11. Br. Rights preached at Kernersville in the morning, and after dinner we went home. I had left our little girl very sick, and was truly thankful to learn on my return that she was better.

Mon., Nov. 25. I was sawing wood for stove this morning. I felt very weak, and work went very hard. Also made a cow shelter at the stable.

Wed., Nov. 27. A number of brn. met to procure wood for Church use. The Salem Female Academy saw had been procured, and the wood was rapidly ripped to pieces. The brn. Jesse Mock, John Burk, and Emanuel Spach were engaged with their teams in hauling, and the work progressed finely.

Thurs., Nov. 28. Thanksgiving Day. After service and before, the brn. were engaged in finishing the "wood work."

Wed., Dec. 4. At home preparing for hog killing.

Thurs., Dec. 5. Killed hogs.

Fri., Sat., Dec. 6, 7. Helping to stuff sausages, etc.

Sun., Dec. 8. Sunday School, preaching at Friedberg. Afternoon preached at Pleasant Fork from Rev. 3:21. Preaching at the latter place is very unpleasant: inattentive congregation and always more or less disturbance.

Sun., Dec. 15. The stove has not been cold for three days, and yet the church is cold.

Mon., Dec. 16. Bro't a load of lumber from Rominger's mill. Poor old John [the horse] fell down on the hill but managed to crawl off with his load.

Tues., Dec. 17. Br. Ernst helped me remove the spring house up in the barnyard for a stable. It was said it was not used at all and 'tis only rotting down there.

Wed., Dec. 25. Christmas Day. An immense concourse of people present. People were here from Muddy Creek, Thomasville, and near Lexington.

Fri., Dec. 27. Took the running part of Br. Rights' conveyance, and put my bed on it; had the work done at the shop.

Tues., Dec. 31. It snowed all night. The ground was thickly covered; everything was full. 'Tis a real Pennsylvania snow and reminds me forcibly of the times and years when I was [Nazareth] Hall teacher. What changes have taken place since then. How wonderfully the Lord has guided and led me.

Friedland Reports, with Hope, Kernersville, 1867

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Charles Henry Cooper.]

Mon., Mar. 11. I visited Dr. Kerner and consulted with him regarding the new church building there.

Wed., May 1. This was the day set apart for laying of the cornerstone of the new church in the town of Kernersville. Though the weather was unfavorable in the morning, it cleared away towards noon. Quite a good congregation having assembled, Bishop Bahnson addressed them, followed by br. E. A. de Schweinitz. Reports were also read previous to placing them in the cornerstone, which was hereupon laid in the usual solemn manner.

Thurs., May 2. I attended Conference at Salem and afterwards collected funds for the meeting house at Kernersville.

Tues., May 28. I visited a sick woman some 2½ miles from here, and sold a Bible on my way there. I left them some tracts to read, which I found the young man unable to do, having never learned letters. I urged the duty of trying to read yet, but his excuse was his farm work was as much as he could do. I returned by the P.O., and on my way there found a young couple in the woods gathering bark for drying. Upon inquiry I found they had no Bible, and on my pressing the purchase of

one, the wife promised to do so when she had the requisite means. The young husband also confessed his inability to read.

Tues., June 18. In the afternoon sr. Cooper and I visited the widow Hein, who resides at Union Cross. We enjoyed this good woman's company.

Mon., July 1. Br. A. Steward called this morning and informed me of the departure of his br. Samuel from this world. Accordingly my wife and I in company with br. Steward and three of his daughters went out to where the deceased resided near Kernersville. After I had went through the usual service at the house, where a company of friends and relatives had assembled, we proceeded to the burial ground of the new church at Kernersville, where the deceased had requested to be interred. We found quite an assembly of people in waiting at the new church building. The corpse having been exposed to the view of spectators in front of the new edifice, a procession was formed headed by the minister and a company of singers which [sang] hymns suitable to the occasion. Arrived at the place of burial and prayed the usual solemn litany for such occasions.

Wed., July 3. Today I was out raising funds for the meeting house at Kernersville, and meeting with encouragement.

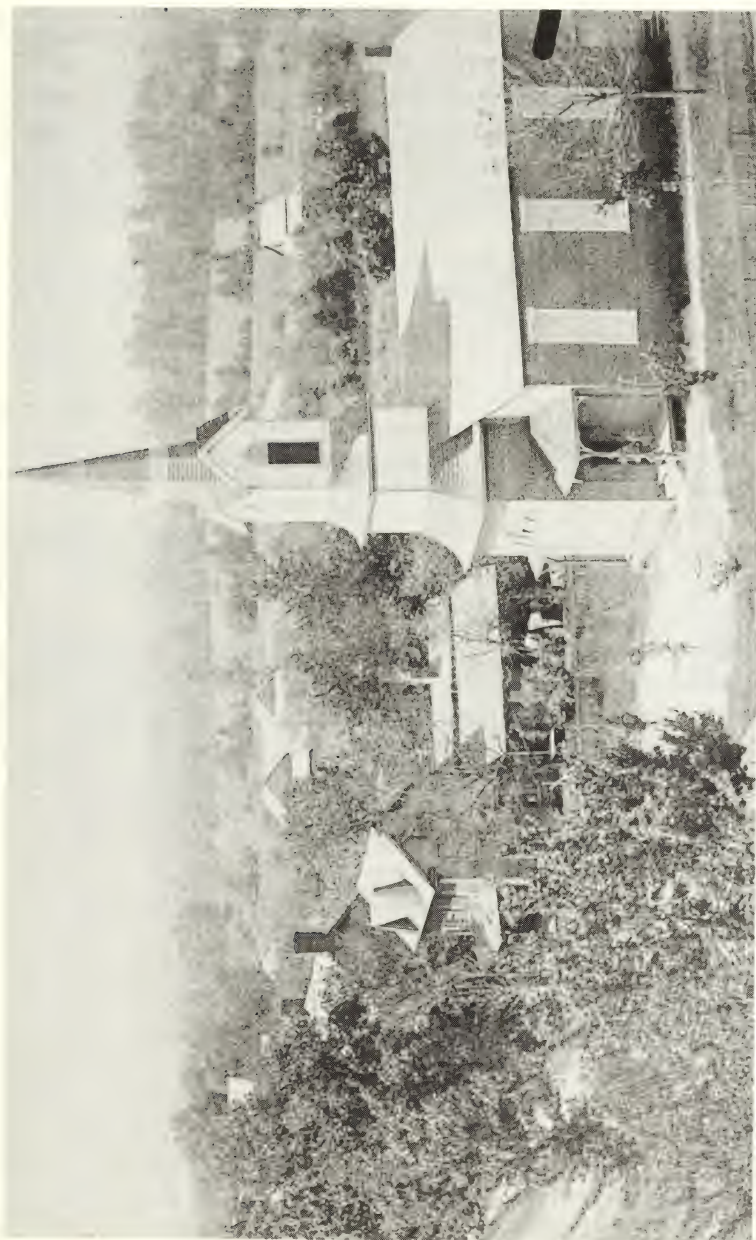
Sun., July 7. I opened and addressed the S. School at Hope, of which upwards of thirty were present.

Mon., July 15. I was at Salem and had an interesting conversation with br. Oerter relative to the home mission at Mt. Bethel, Va., and also the one at Moravia, Iowa. Having both received letters of br. Knaus, the missionary at Moravia, we concluded in answer to his requests for aid each to write to him by way of encouragement that we would try when convenient to raise funds for his mission.

Fri., July 19. I was at Winston and Liberty and vicinity, where I obtained additional sums for the Kernersville church.

Sun., Sept. 29. In company with Br. N. Kerner and child, I went to Bethania, where I spent the day. Our primary object was to raise something for the new church building, and in this we succeeded at least tolerably well.

Thurs., Oct. 3. I received \$10.00 today through br. Schweinitz from friends in Gnadenhutten, Ohio, for the Kernersville church building.



Kernersville Moravian Church, dedicated in 1867, still serves the congregation as its "Historic Chapel." The steeple, vestibule, and front porches were added in 1887-1888.

Sun., Nov. 3. I took dinner at br. Ball's, and bade them farewell before their leaving for Arkansas.

Sun., Nov. 10. The day of the dedication of the new building at Kernersville. Nearly all the Wachovia ministers were present and a large congregation. Services continued on Monday. Also on Tuesday and Thursday nights. The following names have been given me for membership in our church at Kernersville: James J. Huie and Mary A. Huie, Mrs. E. E. Huff and Mrs. Mary Leciter [Lassiter], George Stuart, Mary Eliza Duggins, Gaston Kerner.

Wed., Dec. 25. At night I held lovefeast and preaching at Kernersville. The church had been handsomely decorated, and the congregation was large and attentive.

[New] Philadelphia Diary, 1867

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Jan. 6. Two families absented themselves from church for fear that I might bring the contagion of smallpox in my clothes from Salem.

Sun., Apr. 14. Palm Sunday. Commenced the services by reading the Acts of Son of Man for Saturday and Sunday, and announced that, the Lord permitting, the Reading would be continued on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday night at early candlelight, the moon being favorable for my going to Phila.

Sun., Apr. 21. Easter. Fine day. At 10 A.M. prayed Easter Morning Litany at Phila. A regular procession was formed at the church, headed by me, then followed several brethren and sisters who formed a choir of singers, then came the sisters, two by two, and finally the brethren. We processed to the graveyard, singing resurrection hymns, in very good order, and after the Litany again walked back to the church, singing hymns. The singing continued till the whole congregation had taken their seats. The house was crowded. After singing and prayer, read the Acts of the Resurrection and then preached on 1 Cor. 15:1-8. Took dinner at Br. M. Rominger's, where I met Jonas Lineback and his wife. Returned home about 7 P.M. Thus closing the Easter week services, which had taken me to Phila. nearly every day for a whole week.

Sun., June 9. On June 6th Br. Martin Rominger was 80 years of age. On Saturday, June 8th, he celebrated his birthday by a vesper, to which he invited his neighbours and friends.

Sun., June 16. Preached at Bethany on occasion of the S. School anniversary. In the centre of the church a large anchor and cable of evergreens was emblematically displayed. The exercises consisted of recitations, dialogues, and hymns interspersed with chorales performed by the brass band. Three S. Schools were represented, the Bethany, of which Sr. Rights superintends, the Laurel Hill or Pfafftown, superintended by Br. Benj. Lineback, and the Old Town, superintended by Br. Edgar Lineback. On account of the wet morning the two latter schools did not muster as numerously as they would have otherwise. The performances were very creditable to the scholars, who owe great thanks to Sr. Rights and the other teachers for their faithful and unwearied instruction and training. The exercises continued till after 4 P.M., and after a few remarks from me, were closed by the whole congregation joining in the hymn, "We in one covenant are joined," etc. Reached home about 8½ P.M.

Sun., June 23. A rainy morning. There being a cessation of rain, started for Phila. Roads very miry. Rain continued, turned back. After driving quite a short distance, sun suddenly came out again. Turned the horse towards Phila. and arrived there soon after 10 A.M. Only 10 persons present.

Sun., July 21. Fine, clear day. Preached . . . to a tolerable audience, altho a Mennonite baptism was appointed at 11 A.M. in the immediate neighbourhood, which attracted a great many people. A Bible depository has been formed at Br. Thomas Spach's for the supply of the Philadelphia neighbourhood.

Sun., Aug. 4. Took Br. and Sr. Reichel and my wife to Philadelphia. A large congregation was assembled. Br. Reichel then preached in German on the gospel of the day, Mark 8:1-7, to an attentive audience, a great many of whom understood the German language. After dinner I accompanied Sr. Reichel once more to church, of the interior of which she made a sketch. We then proceeded to Hope, where Br. Reichel addressed the congregation on the doctrinal text of the day. As but two or three of those present understood the German, I repeated in English a few of the leading points of his discourse. ([Phila. Report:] Sr. Reichel also sketched Hope.)

On August 13, 1867, left home on a visit to Pennsylvania and was absent till October 3d. During my absence the Brethren Bahnson, Oerter and Grunert preached at Philadelphia on Sunday, [blank], Sunday, September 15, and Sunday, September 29.

Fri., Oct. 18. [At] 2 P.M. visited David Frye, found him somewhat better. The doctor pronounces his disease an abscess of the kidneys, which is discharging thro the bowels.

Sun., Dec. 1. In company with Br. A. Fogel and at his request went out to the Poorhouse and preached there at 11 A.M. on Matt. 21:1-11. Quite a number of the neighbors had assembled besides the inmates of Poorhouse.

Tues., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. A fine day. This afternoon had been appointed for the Christmas celebration at Phila. The church was appropriately decorated with inscription transparencies before the windows on each side of the pulpit. The pulpit was decorated with pillars and arches of evergreens. The table was quite tastefully ornamented, and the windows hung with festoons. This was the first decoration that had ever been attempted at Phila. It was made by some of the younger members, aided by Brn. and Srs. Spach and Butner. A very large congregation, for Phila., was assembled. The Sunday School children were placed in front on both sides. After the usual reading of St. Luke 2:1-20, a short address and prayer, the lovefeast began. When the candles were brought in the S. School, and in fact the greater part of [the] congregation, sang the hymn No. 57, "Hark the glad sound! the Saviour comes," etc., which they had learnt for the occasion. Got home about 5 P.M.

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[In Japan seven hundred years of shogun rule ended as Emperor Mutsuhito assumed direct control and moved the capital to Tokyo.

President Andrew Johnson was impeached and narrowly avoided conviction. The first Memorial Day was observed in the North. The Fourteenth Amendment granted U.S. citizenship to former slaves.

In North Carolina a Republican-dominated convention adopted a new state constitution abolishing slavery and removing religious or property qualifications to vote. With this, North Carolina returned to the Union, and its delegates were admitted to Congress in July. William Holden was elected governor.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1868

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of George Frederic Bahnson.]

By the tender care and good providence of our Lord, we as a church and congregation enjoyed the blessing of peace and quietness, so that everyone could dwell beneath his own vine and fig tree, no man making him afraid. And although our country passed through the excitement which is caused every fourth year by the election of the chief magistrate of the land, we must thankfully acknowledge that as far as we are concerned our quietude was but little interrupted and in general the gloomy apprehensions and fears entertained have thus far not been realized. The state of our country nevertheless is such that we should feel solemnly and seriously called upon to beseech the Lord to guide and protect all the magistrates of the land wherein we dwell, and all that are put in authority, from the highest to the lowest, that all their doings may tend to the promotion of his glory, the propagation of the gospel, and the safety and welfare of this country, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

Owing to a change in circumstances over which we have no control, our community, formerly noted for its manifold and successful mechanical pursuits, had for years been unable to display its former activity in this respect. Here and there the

results threatened to become rather productive of inconvenient straits in the outward condition of some members. But here also the Lord supplied a remedy. Two of our active and energetic business men (Brn. E. A. Vogler and Aug. Pfohl) entered into the extensive manufacture of an article [shoes] as necessary as it is in general demand, but which had been hitherto supplied from other places. And thus a large number of young and old were provided with employment by which the enquiry, *what shall we eat, what shall we drink*, and especially *wherewith shall we be clothed?* was rendered needless, for the comfortable and fashionable appearance presented in church as well as on other occasions is such as to lead a stranger most certainly to conclude that in spite of complaints sometimes heard, we are living in the very *midst of the land flowing with milk and honey*.

During the course of the year we were mercifully preserved from every alarming sickness, for which we had the greater reason to be thankful, as all around us fevers carried off or laid upon their beds not a few of our fellow travellers through life.

Among the departed we would mention our Sr. Denke, who for a very long series of years had been engaged in very happy activity in various ways but especially as an instructress in our female boarding school. She had also taken an active, consistent, and long continued interest in the welfare of the colored people.

On the 10th of February [March] the firing of cannon announced to us that the convention sitting in Raleigh had granted a charter for a railroad designed to connect Salem with the North Carolina Central Railroad, the state granting for this purpose \$10,000 per mile. At an election held subsequently the county of Forsyth engaged to contribute \$100,000. Towards the close of the year a beginning was made to build the road. May its completion realize the hopes entertained respecting it.

With a view of procuring means for altering the interior of our church edifice, the female portion of the congregation formed a church aid society and exerted themselves most commendably in a variety of ways. By giving an entertainment in a locality kindly furnished by Br. Ad. Butner, a concert performed in church with the ready and efficient assistance of the Salem musical society, and a fair held in the boys' school house, they realized a very handsome portion of the sum required for carrying out their plans of improvement. They as

well as all the members and friends of our church who lent them their practical assistance are deserving of hearty thanks.

At a meeting of all the communicants of our congregation held on April 2, among resolutions referring to the authority of sextons while exercising their office in the church and other matters, it was agreed upon that no person should be admitted to any lovefeast without having a ticket. These pleasing and time honored meetings had at times been disturbed by considerable numbers of outsiders who crowded upon us at such times from curiosity or other trifling motives without entering at all into the spirit suitable to such occasions. We have by this measure secured good order and becoming decorum. Members wishing their friends to attend can easily procure tickets with the pastor, so that none who wish to be present from a *proper* motive are at all excluded.

The Lord having approved of the assembling of a General Synod of our Brethren's Church in 1869 at Herrnhut, where, God willing, it will meet on the 24th of May, our constitution required that preparatory Synods should be held in the different Provinces. In conformity therewith the Synod of our Province opened May 11 and adjourned on the 15th to be called together after the Synod held by the Northern Province. Bro. Robert Schweinitz was present as a delegate sent by the Northern Provincial Elders' Conference. The reason of the adjournment was that the subject of an organic union with the Northern district, which had been discussed at our Synod, might be brought before the Northern Synod, and then be referred to ours for further action. The Brethren E. A. Schweinitz and E. A. Vogler were chosen delegates to the Northern Synod. After their return our Synod met again and continued in session from the 14th to the 16th of this month. Bro. Amadeus Reinke was present as delegate chosen by the Provincial Synod North as their representative.

The plan of uniting with the Northern district, thus forming one American Province, had been favorably received and entertained by the Synod convened at Bethlehem. And after mature discussion our Synod passed unanimously by a rising vote the resolution that our delegates to the General Synod be requested to obtain its sanction for a union between the two Districts of the American Province, the union itself to be consummated whenever the respective Provincial Synods shall have agreed upon the time and mode of calling it into existence.

The Synod then proceeded to the election of delegates to the General Synod. The Brn. Rights and Bahnson were elected (and the Brn. Grunert and E. A. Vogler as alternates).

It is with deep regret that we have to refer to the temporary suspension of our boys school. From a variety of circumstances the number of scholars had become less and less, and the income of the school was also diminished by tardy or entirely neglected payment of the school fees, charged in some instances for a number of years but not liquidated. The school board, being not only unable to pay the teachers' salary regularly but finding itself indebted to two teachers who had served in our school, could not but give up the school, though with sadness, and thus we have had no congregation school for our boys since June.

A closer examination of our prospects for beginning a school at this time presented matters rather gloomily, so that the school board can see no way how to open a school at present. This is certainly very much to be regretted, for our church has for generations distinguished itself favorably by the education imparted to our sons and daughters, and the character, if not the very existence, of our own congregation appears to be deeply involved in the fact that we can at present give no church education to those who must once be the fathers of the congregation and the human pillars of our church. The matter should be taken into serious consideration, and means and ways be devised to call again into life our boys' school, that has existed and done good during the course of a large number of years.

Our Sunday Schools have been in a very flourishing condition during the course of the year, and no doubt productive of much good to all who were connected with them either as teachers or learners. The school, frequented by our own children and those of friends and neighbors, numbered on its lists 150 scholars, and the average attendance was good. On the 29th of March the scholars had a very interesting quarterly meeting, at which many parents and friends were present, and on Christmas Day in the evening they had a beautiful Christmas dialogue interspersed with suitable hymns and music. Very seldom has our church been more crowded than it was on that occasion, and all present left satisfied with what they had seen and heard.

The African Sunday School, under Bro. E. A. Vogler's superintendence and enjoying the instruction of a large number of faithful teachers, continues in a thriving condition. A large number of colored people, both old and young, attend with more or less regularity. At a lovefeast on Christmas Day, which Bro. Vogler gave the school, a number of invited guests listened with interest and pleasure to a Christmas dialogue prepared by the teachers and spoken very well by the scholars. Their singing and reciting gave them credit and showed that their teachers had bestowed upon [them] great labor and attention.

In the public schoolhouse in this place, some of our Brn. and Sisters had been collecting for some years a number of children living in the upper part of our town. With highly laudable zeal they had induced them to come together on the Lord's day and to be instructed in reading God's holy word and learning the way of salvation. Not a few adults are found on the list as scholars, and seem to be in earnest to avail themselves of all the privileges there afforded. On 2d Christmas Day these scholars recited also a Christmas dialogue in their house, which was crowded to its very utmost capacity, and the improvement in their appearance and conduct produced by the smiles of the Friend of the young, resting upon the efforts of their teachers, was as striking as it was pleasing and satisfactory.

On July 1st our Sunday School scholars with their superintendent, teachers and friends enjoyed themselves very much at a rural picnic on the farm of one of our neighbors (Mr. Reed), and we trust that every scholar resolved anew to love the Sunday School, affording him pleasure both for mind and body. The following day a feast was prepared for the Sunday Scholars in the public school house, at which they and some of their friends were treated to a very large quantity of good and palatable things.

While many of our Brn. and Sisters were thus engaged in leading the young to the great Shepherd of souls through the instrumentality of the Sunday School, we as a church had to suspend, temporarily at least, our activity in behalf of old and young in a field where we had hitherto employed a brother as missionary. We allude to the home mission at *Mount Bethel*. The brother who had resided there for 11 years was, according to his own request, removed and entered another field of labor. For several reasons it was not practicable to supply his place,

and thus it is for the present abandoned. According to the plan adopted, Brethren ministering to other congregations did pay monthly visits, but the regular execution of this scheme is almost impracticable, how much soever it is to be regretted.

Under the care of protection of Him who keepeth his own Israel in safety, all our dwellings were preserved during this year. But on the evening of the 22d inst. a chimney which had not been used for months in the Academy caught fire during an entertainment given in the chapel. Providentially the danger was at once discovered and overcome before the scholars and the large audience assembled in the chapel had become aware of it, else a panic might have been caused very easily among the crowd, and this could have produced lamentable results, even if no damage had been done either to the church or the Academy. To our merciful Lord be thanksgiving and praise.

Salem Diary, 1868

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of George Frederic Bahnson.]

Thurs., Jan. 2. Usual meeting of the ministers and others in the service of our "diocese." Only one brother from the country was present.

Sun., Jan. 5. After preaching a collection was taken up for St. Thomas and St. John amounting to \$62.93, a small portion of what is wanted under existing circumstances. It might and perhaps should have been more. But our people, especially the more able, are not used to giving.

Sun., Jan. 19. At 3 P.M. Bro. Bahnson presided at the semi-annual meeting of the Female Missionary Society. There is more interest shown in the cause, thank God. The attendance was better than for years, and 20 offered themselves as new members. They appropriated \$50 for St. Thomas.

Wed., Jan. 22. A very pretty day. A young upstart, Lewis Williams, knocked Bro. Geo. Folz down. He might have killed him, which was providentially prevented.

Sun., Jan. 26. In the evening the experiment was tried, whether preaching would attract a larger audience. It succeeded admirably. The evening was by no means pleasant, but Br. Oerter preached to an exceedingly good audience from Prov. 18:24.

Sun., Feb. 2. In the evening Bro. Bahnson preached to a respectable audience from Mark 8:37. The change from "Gemeinstunde" to preaching appears to be really a complete success. Tempora mutantur, etc. [Times change, (and we change with them).]

Sun., Mar. 1. Rainy more or less all day. The streets were uncommonly muddy.

Thurs., Mar. 5. Bro. Friebele, who had come on a visit and been present at the monthly conference, was very unexpectedly taken very sick this afternoon. It threatens to be a very serious matter. Sr. Friebele is so situated that she cannot come down just now. In the evening Bro. Bahnson baptized in the house of the grandmother the baby born in the family of Bro. Henry Cooper. His health, bodily and mental, is such that he had to be called from Friedland, where he had been stationed since Nov. 1865. For the present he will live with wife and baby at his mother's.

Tues., Mar. 10. Firing of cannon announced today the grant of a railroad charter from Salem to some part of the N.C.R.R. between Salisbury and Greensboro. The state is to give \$10,000 per mile as assistance. People are very sanguine about the benefits to be derived from this road, but the spiritual blessings will probably be very uncertain. However, it cannot be altered.

Tues., Mar. 17. Very warm, 70°.

Thurs., Mar. 19. The Rev. Marquis L. Wood, formerly missionary in China, delivered a very long and quite interesting lecture on that strange country. A collection taken up for his benefit amounted to \$15.25. The church was packed with hearers.

Fri., Mar. 20. Very heavy thundering and lightning, very cool and windy. Snow at the north.

Sun., Mar. 29. At one o'clock was for the first time a quarterly meeting of the S.S., which proved very interesting. It was very well attended, as it should be, because our own children are benefited by the S.S. Singing, etc., formed a portion of the exercises, and they also passed through a lesson, as is generally done in S.S. Everybody was very much pleased, and expressed the hope that such an entertainment should be repeated. Bro. Bahnson closed with a few remarks, prayer, and the benediction. Several children from Winston

attend our S.S. regularly. Bro. Oerter and the teachers deserve the thanks of all parents.

Sat., Apr. 4. An election was held throughout the county to decide the question whether \$100,000 should be given to assist the building of the railroad. A majority of about 7 or 800 decided in the affirmative. Salem Hotel was also sold at public auction and purchased by its former owner, Bro. Adam Butner. The band was taken about in a wagon drawn by eight horses and guided by Bro. Aug. Fogle. It was a very lively day, but order prevailed.

Sun., Apr. 5. Palm Sunday. In the evening Bro. Bahnson made a beginning of the meetings kept during Passion Week. The church [was] literally crowded and presented an unusually encouraging view, proclaiming that these simple but beautiful meetings, peculiar to our dear Brethren's Church, are still appreciated by our members. May they long continue so.

Mon., Apr. 6. Superior court being held this week, some were prevented from attending the meetings.

Thurs., Apr. 9. A lawsuit before the court at Winston kept not a few from the meetings in the afternoon, and although the communion was uncommonly well attended, still not a few brothers were absent.

Sat., Apr. 11. Great Sabbath. At 2 P.M. Bro. Bahnson kept the lovefeast. No person had been admitted without a ticket. This plan worked admirably well. It was almost better attended than for years, and great order prevailed. A meeting of all the communicants held on the 2d had determined to introduce a system of tickets, which seemed to give general satisfaction. The pastor wrote the name of all who are standing in the catalogue upon tickets, and sent them to the stores of Brn. E. A. Vogler, Pfohl & Stockton, and Hege Brothers, where members fetched them. Members' tickets are for general use at all lovefeasts. Strangers cannot apply in their own person, but members may do it for them by paying 10 cents for every ticket. Such tickets are only for *one* lovefeast.

Sun., Apr. 12. Easter Sunday. An exceedingly beautiful morning. At 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ A.M. the usual solemnity was observed, Bro. Grunert praying the Easter morning litany. A numerous procession went to the graveyard.

Sun., Apr. 19. A cloudy and somewhat rainy day. Bro. Bahnson went to Friedland to introduce Bro. Friebele and preached from 1 Thess. 5:12, etc. The attendance was tolerably good.

Mon., Apr. 20. The Salem Bible Association had its annual meeting; 30 persons were present, a small number, but more than had met for the last 9 years.

Wed., May 6. Eli Banner, a negro, at work about 2 miles from here, was instantly killed by lightning. He had lately married a white female. It is said that 4 whites in all had married negroes in this county!!

Mon., May 11. This morning the Provincial Synod was opened at 10 o'clock. It continued in session till Thursday P.M. when it was adjourned till after the meeting of the Northern Provincial Synod, say, November or December.

Sun., May 17. Bro. Robert Schweinitz who had attended the Synod, delegated by the Northern P.E.C., officiated this morning and preached from Rev. 2:10 to a very large audience.

Mon., May 18. At 7½ P.M. there was a meeting of the communicants to hear a report prepared by a committee appointed by the Synod. The subject was the merging of our District into that of the North. The attendance was very large.

Thurs., May 21. Ascension Day. The meetings were only tolerably attended, which is certainly to be deeply regretted, the ascension of our Savior being such an important and instructive event that the attention of all ought to be directed to it.

Sun., May 24. A very pretty day, though showery. There was an exceedingly numerous audience, and the brother who has ministered so many years in holy things here in this place thanked God devoutly and took courage. Many friends and parents of pupils were probably present.

Wed., May 27. A musical entertainment, extremely long, took place in the Academy. Of course there was no meeting this evening.

Wed., June 3. At 2 P.M. was the examination in the Infants in Sr. Sophia Pfohl's school. A goodly number of persons, old and young, were present.

Sun., June 14. Brother Grunert officiated at the usual time, preached from the gospel lesson the rich man and Lazarus. Bro. Bahnson attended the annual church festival at Bethany. In the evening at 7½ P.M. the same brother ordained Br. Theophilus Zorn to be a deacon of the Brethren's Church. Bro. Zorn had arrived soon after midnight, and left this evening at 10 P.M. On the 23d inst. he and his wife will sail for the West Indies.

Sun., June 28. With us a perfect drought. Lord have mercy upon us. Asked the Lord for rain. O, it is needed so very much. The gardens suffer particularly. But we must be satisfied as the Lord shall do.

Mon., June 29. Had in the full sense of the word a few drops of rain. Bro. Bahnson kept prayer meeting. No sexton appearing, he rang the first bell, and Bro. Pfohl lighted the gas.

Wed., July 1. Very pleasant picnic for the S. School at Harrison Reid's. All enjoyed themselves very much indeed.

Mon., July 6. Bro. Bahnson kept prayer meeting at 7³/₄ P.M. Read an account of the condemnation and death of John Huss.

Sun., July 12. Really a heated season, something approaching a scorching drought.

Mon., July 13. At 7¹/₂ P.M. a meeting of all the communicants, male and female, took place, in which, according to a resolution of the last Provincial Synod, the delegates reported particularly respecting the steps taken to bring about a union of the two districts, and forming one united American Province. A paper was read by Bro. E. A. Vogler exhibiting the reasons for and against such a measure. The attendance of members was very large, and several brethren addressed the meeting, which proved quite interesting. The chapel undergoing repairs, the meetings during the week are suspended.

Mon., July 20. Today the Lord sent us very refreshing showers, for which we cannot be sufficiently thankful. They gave new life to vegetation of every kind, as well as to man and beast. The heat had been very great. For 8 weeks we have had no soaking rain.

Sun., July 26. Rainy more or less all day. The season has turned to be very fertile.

Sun., Aug. 2. During the week Bro. Bahnson visited as far as possible every family in town.

Sun., Aug. 9. Celebration of the 13th. All the meetings, communion included, were well attended, and we trust many a blessing was received. The Methodists holding at Winston a District conference, the ministers, delegates, etc., as a body had been invited to the lovefeast, but owing to meetings of their own only some could attend. A request had also been made that one of their ministers should preach for us this morning. Dr. B. Craven, president of Trinity College, came and preached from John 15:14.

Sun., Aug. 16. Children's festival. The lovefeast was attended by too many, so that the Academy teachers who were present had quite dry fare, neither cakes nor (I believe) coffee being left for them. This ought not to be so.

Sat., Sept. 12. A church aid society having been formed among the sisters, they gave an entertainment at Bro. Butner's hotel this evening, as they had done yesterday evening, selling cakes, ice cream, etc. They were very successful, realizing more than \$200.

Sun., Sept. 13. A Sunday school celebration in Bethabara and perhaps other causes had thinned the audience. Two colored men had preached in our African church today, and drawn many.

Tues., Sept. 15. Betsy Steiner had an operation performed. All went very well.

Sun., Sept. 27. [All Angels Festival.] At 7 P.M. Bro. Bahnson had the chair during the singing of the "Engel Litugie." Afterwards he presided at the Bundeskelch [Cup of Covenant].

Sun., Oct. 4. Rainy all day. Had it not been for the school girls, the church would have looked very empty. No other meeting of any kind today.

Fri., Oct. 9. Sudden change in the weather. It turned uncommonly cool. Woollen clothes felt quite comfortable.

Sun., Oct. 18. In the evening Dr. Philips, late professor at Chapel Hill, preached to a very large audience. His text was Exod. 20:1. He preached a very interesting sermon, tho probably not understood by all.

Mon., Oct. 26. Wonderfully warm. Bro. Bahnson kept prayer meeting. Read Sr. Sterchi's report.

Wed., Oct. 28. In the evening the Rev. Mr. Mallett, a colporteur from New Bern, addressed those who had come to meeting. He seems to be a very worthy, self-sacrificing, and devoted man.

Sun., Nov. 1. In the evening he [Br. Bahnson] preached from 2 Pet. 1:10-11, trying to direct attention to our heavenly election, rather than to the Presidential election near at hand.

Tues., Nov. 3. The Presidential election passed off in an unusually quiet and orderly manner, principally owing to the circumstance that the sale of intoxicating drinks had been entirely forbidden.

Sun., Nov. 8. The Brn. Schweinitz and E. A. Vogler, our delegates to the Northern Synod, were commended to the Lord.

Mon., Nov. 9. Brn. Schweinitz and Vogler left for Pennsylvania.

Wed., Nov. 13. In the evening the Musical Society gave in the church a very acceptable concert. The church was very well filled. The object was to collect funds for church repairs. Admittance very prudently only 25 cents. Had some of our old Brethren and Sisters who were active this day 127 years ago attended the concert, they would have stood aghast at the appearance of some of the young sisters who were to sing this evening, and would not have believed that they were Moravians. Tempora mutantur [times change], but not always for the better.

Sun., Nov. 15. A beautiful day and one, we trust, imparting lasting blessing to many souls in our midst. Seldom have the meetings held on the day commemorating the events of Nov. 13, 1741, been as well attended than today.

Sun., Nov. 29. In the afternoon was the funeral of our departed Sr. Maria Denke. It was to have been at 2 P.M. but half an hour elapsed before the vast audience could be accommodated and brought to order. For years there has not been so large a concourse at a funeral. The colored people attended in a considerable number and were accommodated in the vestibule and room under the stairs, which did not seem to please all.

Mon., Nov. 30. Bro. Bahnson kept prayer meeting at the usual time. We sang Christmas verses.

Fri., Dec. 4. The Brn. E. A. Schweinitz and E. A. Vogler, delegates to the Northern Provincial Synod, returned with a number of others that had been on a visit North.

Sat., Dec. 12. The coldest day we have had this winter. Thermometers showed 14, 12, 9, and 8 degrees, according to their localities.

Mon., Dec. 14. At 10 A.M. the Provincial Synod, adjourned from last May, was opened by Bro. Bahnson, and was in session all day.

Wed., Dec. 16. Synod brought its sessions to a close. The Brn. Rights and Bahnson were elected delegates to the General Synod to convene next year, and the Brn. Grunert and E. A. Vogler as the alternates.

Tues., Dec. 22. A chimney in the sick room of the Academy caught fire during the entertainment. It had not been burnt out properly, but by the help of the Lord it was put out before any alarm had to be given.

Thurs., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. Cold but pleasant. A little snow had fallen, but very little. At 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. was the usual meeting for the little children. Bro. Bahnson kept it. It was very well attended by old and young, although the weather had turned very cold, and the west wind made walking anything but pleasant. At 7 P.M. Bro. Bahnson kept the meeting for the congregation. A very chaste and beautiful decoration had been prepared for the occasion. The lovefeast was very full, as it always is, but the order preserved was very good indeed.

Fri., Dec. 25. Christmas day. It may also be mentioned that at 2 P.M. Bro. E. A. Vogler had a lovefeast prepared for the African S.S. A goodly number of whites were present as guests. The scholars (some of course grown men and women, and themselves parents) recited a Christmas dialogue prepared by the teachers, and they did it very creditably to their teachers and themselves.

Sat., Dec. 26. At 2 P.M. the scholars of the "factory" S.S. had a Christmas dialogue after which they received presents from their kind teachers.

Sun., Dec. 27. Considering the unpleasant weather and rather unsafe walking, the attendance was very good.

There were no meetings during the course of this week. People are much engaged in one way or another, and have meetings in abundance during the festive days. It is to be regretted that the weather is becoming very unpleasant, so that we shall not be favored in this respect at New Year.

Thurs., Dec. 31. A very unpleasant day. At 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Bro. Bahnson kept the usual meeting for the children. To his great joy it was very well attended in spite of the weather. At 8 P.M. Bro. B. read the Memorabilia and personal notices of the year. The church was full of attentive hearers. At 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Bro. B. kept the closing meeting. In spite of the rain the church was very full.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1868

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sun., Jan. 5. Preaching after S.S. (Text: Exod. 33:15.) Announced that according to their request, the preaching would henceforth be at the forenoon at 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ o'clock. They have requested it because many left after S.S., as S.S. and

preaching together were too long for them, and made it so late for them to attend to their work at home. Though there were objections to having it in the morning, it was thought best to give it a trial, Br. Bahnson expressing his willingness to supply Br. O.'s place sometimes when he should be engaged at the large church, and Br. Vogler also consenting to preside when neither Br. B. nor Br. O. could attend. Also announced that 2 or 3 weeks hence the Holy Communion would be celebrated, and at the same time an opportunity given to those who have lately "professed" to signify publicly their desire of joining the church and attending a course of instruction.

Sun., Jan. 19. Br. O. preached A.M. At 10¹/₄ only a few were present, but soon more came in, and in about 15 minutes after commencing quite a large congregation was gathered. After S. Sch. at 3 P.M. held preparatory meeting in which five young men pledged their hands in token of their desire to join the Church. After a brief intermission the Holy Communion was celebrated, about 35 partaking.

Sun., Feb. 16. Began a course of instruction instead of preaching, as several have expressed a desire to join the church. Nearly all were in good time today.

Sun., Feb. 23. Only *one* of the candidates present today and very few others.

Thurs., Mar. 12. At 7¹/₂ P.M. kept instruction for some colored young men.

Sun., Mar. 22. Small attendance at preaching. I was told that a colored preacher of the Presbyterian Church wishes to preach here next Sunday. As "Uncle Tony" knows him very well, vouches for his good character, and as we know "Uncle Tony" (who is also a Presbyterian), I said I would have no objections.

Sun., Mar. 29. Br. E. A. Vogler went to the African Church. The colored preacher did not come.

Sun., Apr. 5. Palm Sunday. At 10¹/₂ A.M. had infant baptism, and read beginning of "Acts of last days," etc.

Sun., Apr. 12. Easter. At 9 A.M. prayed the Easter Litany and then preached. Pretty large congregation.

Sun., Apr. 19. Preaching A.M. Had told the candidates to come to instruction at 3 P.M., but only 1 came. I told him they should all come on Friday evening. Intend to have Communion on next Sunday, and if any desire it, they can be confirmed then.

Sun., Apr. 26. At 3 P.M. adult baptism (2 of the candidates, Charles "Boner" and Eliza "Fulkerson"). Afterwards celebrated the Holy Communion.

Sun., May 3. Infant baptism and preaching A.M. As several went out after I had commenced preaching, I took occasion to speak to them about the impropriety of so doing.

Sun., May 24. Preaching A.M. Very good audience, tho' a "dipping" took place somewhere in the neighborhood. I had been requested to preach a funeral sermon, but the friends sent me word to postpone it, as they wished to go to the dipping!

Sun., May 31. Whitsunday. No service today, as Br. Vogler took the S. School to Bethany, having received an invitation from the Superintendent of the Colored S. School.

Mon., June 1. Whitmonday. Buried Carl (Fries), not a member. There was a large number of colored people at the house, where we sang a verse. While I was waiting for the body on the burial ground, Mr. Fogle came and told me that as Coroner he could not suffer the man to be buried, someone having testified before him on oath that he believed the man to have been poisoned. He said we might read the service and let the coffin down into the grave, but it would have to be taken up again and examined by the doctors for whom he had sent. I therefore read the service, but as the doctors had gone into the country, left the body in charge of a guard.

Tues., June 2. Visited the old colored man Sam (Byerle), probably the oldest member. He has been afflicted for some time with dropsy. He was in a very pleasing frame of mind, quite willing and ready to depart, if it should be the Lord's will. I read and prayed with him, and when I bade him goodbye he held my hand a long time, and could not say enough to show his gratitude.

Wed., June 10. Buried br. Sam (Byerle), who died yesterday A.M.

Mon., June 29. Went out into the country to see an old member, Hannah, at Mrs. Polly Fletcher's beyond the paper mill. Had been told she was sick and wanted to see me. Found her up and about. She remembered all the former pastors of the colored congregation, and others; must be quite old, and has not been able to come to church for several years. Could not ascertain much with regard to her spiritual condition.

Sun., July 12. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz preached A.M. Not many were present, as a colored preacher from Salisbury

preached at Wauhtown the funeral sermon of the colored man who was struck dead by lightning not far from town some time ago. At 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. he held forth in our (African) church at the top of his voice, but with little connection in his remarks.

Sun., July 26. No preaching, as the S. School wished to practice the singing for their celebration this P.M. of Br. E. A. Vogler's return from the North.

Sun., Aug. 16. Br. O. found but two or three at the church, the rest having gone to a camp meeting at Pleasant Springs. Kept a prayer meeting (a few were coming in) and announced preaching in the P.M. after this, as the attendance is so poor A.M. Also a members' meeting for this day, 3 weeks.

Sun., Aug. 23. At 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. went to the church, but found them all coming away already. Br. Vogler said there had been so few there, he had not held regular school.

Sun., Sept. 6. This being the Married People's Fest, there was no service at the African church.

Mon., Sept. 7. Visited a sick colored girl or young woman belonging to the church, at Br. J. Mickey's. Had been rather careless. Conversed and prayed with her.

Sun., Sept. 13. Two colored preachers here from Greensboro and Lexington. One ordained—white necktie—the other an exhorter. Both sensible and intelligent. Alex. Vogler brought them to my room yesterday P.M. The ordained bro. preached. At 3 P.M. I held a members' meeting. Some have been rather careless. Some 24 attended. I read rules, etc., of Salem Congregation, took their names, and encouraged them to be faithful. Quite a pleasant meeting.

Sun., Oct. 4. At 3 o'clock kept prayer meeting, as only few present. A presiding Elder of [blank] Meth. Ch. from Raleigh spoke. An agreeable speaker, good language, no screaming, altogether very good. Another colored preacher (preached 13th ult.) offered closing prayer.

Sun., Oct. 25. On my way to the church met some of the members, who said all had left already, the S.S. having been dismissed earlier than usual.

Sun., Nov. 1. S.S. not out when I arrived at the church. Was told that all wanted to go and hear Mr. Wheeler's (Methodist Episcopal) farewell sermon at Winston, so had no preaching again.

Sun., Nov. 8. Went to the church at 10 A.M. I have concluded to preach there every other Sunday A.M., as I can then

be pretty sure of being able to attend to it regularly. Very few present at first. I spoke to them about trying to learn some more of our tunes, and using a part of the Litany, of which I afterwards prayed a portion. Told them I would always first sing some of our tunes with them, then pray a part of the Litany, and preach a short sermon. They seemed much pleased with the plan.

Sun., Nov. 15. Celebration of 13th in large church. No service.

Sun., Nov. 22. Tried the melodeon, but found it too much out of repair. Prayed part of the litany, and then preached funeral sermon for Celia, mother of Susan (at Mr. Brietz's), an old colored woman who died at the poor house some time ago.

Sun., Dec. 6. Only 2 or 3 present when I came. The first bell had not been rung yet. Small audience afterward.

Sun., Dec. 20. As usual, a small audience. After preaching tried (without success) to settle a difficulty between two of the Elders.

Fri., Dec. 25. Christmas Day. At 2 P.M. the S.S. had a Xmas lovefeast. Exercises very creditable.

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1868

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Mar. 30.

2. With regard to the Lovefeast on Great Sabbath, it was resolved to call a meeting of the communicant members and propose the use of tickets.

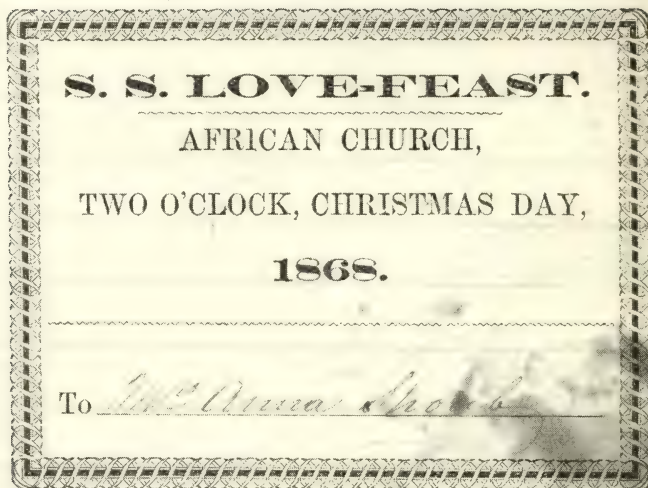
Tues., May 5.

4. The Communion lovefeasts being desirable, but at the same time an additional expense to Communicant members, Board did not feel at liberty to revive them without laying the matter before a meeting of Communicants.

5. The meeting of Communicant members resolved on at the last Board meeting was held on Apr. 2nd, and after a very pleasant and profitable discussion, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted, viz.:

A.) Lovefeasts are private meetings, intended only for those whose names are found in our Church Catalogue.

B.) No person, though entitled to be present at a lovefeast, will be admitted without showing a proper ticket.



Lovefeast ticket, African Church: Among the white guests invited to the African Church's Christmas Day lovefeast, 1868, was Anna Shaub.

C.) Members desirous of inviting friends not belonging to our church may apply for tickets (to the pastor) but such persons cannot apply for themselves. [This paragraph has been crossed out.]

D.) For very particular reasons, the pastor may invite a very limited number of guests by sending them tickets; but to make admission certain, members are advised to apply for tickets for such of their friends as they may know would be pleased to attend a lovefeast.

E.) Sextons are officers of the church, authorized to act in its name. They must therefore be respected by all, and their directions must be submitted to.

F.) Persons unmindful of the sanctity of the house of God and the conduct required therein may expect to be taken out by the sextons, whom the church will sustain in every case of this kind, though the hope is entertained that such a measure will not be rendered necessary.

Aug. 10?

1. The Forsyth Literary Society has asked permission to give an Entertainment in the church, but the Board was of opinion that the church was not the proper place, and that the Society should be requested to procure some other, if possible.

3. A set of very neat silver goblets for the Communion service has been presented to the Congr. by Br. E. A. Vogler, and will be used in the next Communion on Aug. 9th. Board expressed thanks of the Congr. to Br. V.

Mon., Nov. 9.

1. The Musical Society has asked permission to give a Concert in the church in order to raise funds for church repairs. As there is no other hall in town well suited for the purpose the Board consented with the understanding that there should be nothing objectionable in the programme.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1868

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Thurs., Jan. 30. Full Board.

3. Application was made by Br. Edward Hege and Mr. W. H. Wheeler for permission to make upwards of 100,000 brick in the bottom field on the former Shuman plantation now held in

rent by Mr. Wheeler. The latter having received the field in rent on the express condition and with the understanding that he is under obligation to fill up the holes where the clay for making of brick on this land had been dug out (see minutes of Board of Trustees Mar. 16, 1864, §1) and this condition not having as yet been fulfilled by Mr. Wheeler, Board returns as answer to the request that the conditions under which Mr. Wheeler holds the field in rent must first be complied with, i.e., the holes must be filled up before permission can be given to make more brick on that field.

4. Board desires to call the attention of the Town Commissioners to the condition of the walk on the west side of Church street between the Square and Bank Street, on which funerals processions have to pass on their way to the graveyard, as it is very much out of order and in some places almost impassable in times of rain. Commissioners are requested to see to it that it be bro't in order.

Tues., Feb. 11. Not present Br. Edwd. Blum.

3. Br. Edwd. Hege and Mr. Wm. H. Wheeler make the proposition in reply to the decision of this Board (see last minutes, §3) that the filling up of the brick holes now existing would be too expensive for them to undertake, but that they would, if permitted to make brick, fill up the new holes that they would have to dig and then turn the water of the branch into the old holes in order gradually to fill them up by the sand that it would carry into them.

After a long discussion on the proposal, Board, in order to get undivided control over the making of brick on this field, and not to leave it in the hands of others to speculate at the cost and to the injury of the Diacony, finally concluded to take back that portion of the field in which the brick holes are situated and to terminate the rent of that part, permitting Mr. Wheeler to keep the other part in rent as hitherto. His rent-year will expire on the fifth of March next.

Wed., Feb. 12. Not present Br. Charles Hauser.

Permission could be given to citizens of the town to make brick on this ground [see last minutes, §3] for their own use on condition that they pay 25 cents for each 1,000 brick made, that they fill up the holes dug by them, and turn the water of the branch into the old holes. Board gives permission to Br. Edwd.

Hege to make the desired quantity of brick on complying with the above stated conditions.

Tues., Mar. 10. Full Board.

1. Board came to a reconsideration of its resolution about the sale of town lots in general, being led to do so by the fact that the Convention of N. Carol., now in session at Raleigh, has on yesterday passed an act incorporating the "North Western Rail Road of N. Carol.," by means of which Salem and Winston will not only come into railroad communication with the N.C. Central R.R., but will also for some time to come form the terminus of this new R.R. As it may reasonably be expected that under such circumstances the value of the land around Salem and Winston will be increased, and Board being disinclined now to sell at the same prices as heretofore, it was resolved for the present altogether to discontinue the sale of town lots and lands, excepting, however, from this resolution the lot already promised to Br. Julius Micke . . . should he still desire to buy it.

4. As it will become necessary, perhaps in the course of next year, to re-cover the Church, Board will shortly take that subject into consideration.

Tues., Mar. 24. Not present Br. James Leinbach.

1. A sufficient amount of stock having been taken to secure the charter of the North Western N. Carol. Rail Road, the question was laid before the Board, what the Diacony should do in this respect? Altho' it is not probable that an investment in this road should immediately prove profitable in itself; still as a rise in the value of land and other property may result from it, by which Diacony would eventually be benefited, it was the unanimous opinion of the members present that Diacony should take stock in this road. Board thinks it most advisable not to take final action on this subject now, but to wait till the road has been located, when the further particulars as to the amount of stock to be taken, etc., can more readily be determined upon than at present.

2. It was resolved to begin buying shingles for a new roof to the Church as opportunity may offer. Towards the expenses of this undertaking we have at this time at command \$30, being a balance of the proceeds of a fare [fair] instituted by some sisters some years since and intended for the benefit of the

Church. Board also resolved that the balance standing to the credit of the Centenary Jubilee account in the books of the Diacony amounting to \$51.95 be appropriated to this purpose. Further arrangements can be made hereafter.

Tues., May 5. Full Board.

1. Congregation Council having at a meeting held on April 27th re-elected the Brn. J. G. Sides and John D. Siewers, whose term of service had expired, Board, consisting of the same individuals as last year (see minutes, June 4, 1867), organized by electing S. Thos. Pfohl as President and Secretary.

2. [T]he application of the Board of Directors North Western N. Carol. R. Road for the right of way over the land of the Diacony was laid before the Board.

Several surveys preparatory to the location of the road have been made during the past weeks, but thus far no particular route has been fixed upon. With regard to the locality of the depot at this end of the section, nothing has been definitely determined upon, altho', as the Board is informed, a majority of the Directors lately elected being citizens of Winston, strenuous efforts are now made to locate it at Winston, to the evident detriment of the town of Salem and its interests. All efforts at a compromise, to locate it at a point convenient to both towns, have been thus far resisted by the Winstonians. Such being the situation of affairs at this time, and Board of Trustees considering it their duty to do all they can for the benefit of Salem and its institutions, the following resolution was laid before the Board, and after being seconded was adopted by a unanimous vote, viz.: Resolved that if the Rail Road and Depot are located satisfactory to the interests of Salem and its Diacony, this body is willing to grant the right of way upon a fair valuation, to be adjudged by a board of valuation, and the amount of said valuation we agree to take in stock, but should the Road and depot be located upon any point not considered to be to the advancement of the interest of Salem and this Diacony, we will require compensation in money.

4. Board resolved that the annual contribution on the part of the Single Sisters Diacony of \$30 towards the Theological Seminary be discontinued on account of the diminished income and consequent inability of said Diacony to pay the same.

6. Permission is granted by the Board to remove the stile at the north end of the graveyard alley, and to substitute in its

place a common gate so constructed as to shut freely. Some friends have agreed to have the gate made at their own expense. As the stile had been originally constructed for the purpose of preventing the riding thro' and hitching of horses in the alley, Board thinks that in case the alteration now granted should lead to similar results the gate might then again be removed.

Tues., June 30. Not present Br. Chs. Hauser.

2. The course of the North Western N. C. Rail Road having now been ascertained, the Directors of the Co. have determined to locate the depot at this end within (near?) the incorporate limits of Salem, on the east of town near the Belews Creek road. As this locality is not far from the eastern boundary of the Salem land, and as the road (which is to run down on the north side of our creek) will not pass over much of our land, Board grants the right of way gratis, and is also willing to give a reasonable piece of ground for the depot, but before making a firm promise would wish to know how much land would be needed for that purpose.

Thurs., Aug. 13. Full Board.

1. The yearly accounts of Salem Diacony from May 1, 1867, to Apr. 30, 1868, as also the statement of assets and liabilities on Apr. 30, 1868, were laid before the Board. The accounts this year close with a loss of \$864.07, of which \$553.50 are to be attributed to a loss of 55 percent on the sale of N.C. coupons and to an extra allowance, on application, to the pastor. The amount realized from the sale of town lots (\$612.64) has been added to the respective lot funds. The assets containing a number of accounts that are worthless (as indicated already in minutes of Sept. 24, 1867, §2), it was resolved after deducting

this year's loss of.....	\$864.07
from stock acct. to cancel thro' the same	
acct. also from N. C. State bonds	
(irrecoverably lost)	2,000.00
N. Car. Treasury Notes Reserve.....	720.10
Coupon Reserve	280.00
and Desperate Debts acct.	<u>1,420.12</u>
total	5,284.29

leaving a balance of \$3,747.56 on stock account.

As a new Diacony ledger will have to be commenced, it was resolved to carry such accounts of the old ledger as are known to be lost to one general account of *Desperate Debts*, on which they are to remain until means are found to cancel them.

3. A communication from Br. E. A. Vogler was next laid before the Board. In this paper he dwells upon the subject of appropriating or setting apart a portion of the Diacony land outside of the incorporate limits of the town for the purpose of being laid out into lots for the freedmen, especially of such as belong to their Church in town or such as are in the employ of citizens of the town, on which they might erect houses and build up a separate town for themselves.

After interchange of a few ideas on the subject it was laid over for further consideration.

Tues., Sept. 8. Not present Br. J. D. Siewers.

1. Board took up the unfinished matter contained in §3 having reference to setting apart some portion of the Diacony land for the freedmen to build houses on. Altho' aware that this is a subject that will most probably not be viewed in a very favourable light by some of the citizens, it nevertheless appears to the Board as if the claims of a common humanity, not to say Christian duty towards fellow human beings, some of whom even are members of our own Church, would demand that we extend a helping hand to them in enabling them to provide suitable homes for themselves and families in their new situation, and not to leave them, as is unfortunately the case in too many instances, at the mercy of individuals who ask rents for dwellings far beyond their ability to pay.

Such and similar reasons induced the Board unanimously to resolve to act in the case and to set apart a locality at a convenient distance from town where they might procure lots to build upon, the idea being that they purchase the lots and hold them as their own.

That part of the former Shuman plantation S.E. of the barn, which is now lying vacant and without a fence, having been mentioned as perhaps suitable for the purpose, the further consideration of the subject was laid over to the next meeting, in order to afford members an opportunity of looking at the locality before coming to a final decision.

2. The yearly accounts of Salem Single Sisters Diacony from May 1, 1867, to Apr. 30, 1868, were next laid before the

Board, from which it appears that the income this year exceeded the outlays by \$79.80, which amount it was resolved to transfer to the credit of Repair account to meet expenses of repairs that have been become necessary at some of the out houses. Of the liabilities appearing on the statement, \$127 due to Wachovia Sustentation have been paid off since Apr. 30 of this year, and the same can be done with the \$300 due the Single Sisters poor fund, as a second payment on the principal has been received from Salem Savings Institute. After the payment of the note due the Single Sisters poor fund, the Diacony will remain indebted only \$38.18 on note.

Thurs., Oct. 15. Full Board.

1. Board then turned its attention again to the subject of lots for freedmen (see §1 last minutes).

The objection being urged that the locality proposed for laying out the lots being in the immediate neighbourhood of Br. Em. Reich's house and lot might depreciate the value of his property, and that a collection of negroes in his vicinity might prove objectionable to him and his family, the field or lots situated near the Schoolhouse of the coloured and on the old Plank road were spoken of as being perhaps less objectionable. After a protracted conversation, the matter was postponed for further consideration.

2. The Warden, having some time since received the 2nd installment on the capital invested in the Salem Savings Institute [and] has now on hand \$1,245 belonging to Salem Diacony and \$80 belonging to Single Sisters Diacony, asks how it shall be invested? Board proposes for the present to deposit it with E. A. Vogler & Co., they giving their note payable on demand.

Tues., Nov. 17. Br. Charles Hauser not present.

1. Board turned its attention again to the question about lots for freedmen. In the course of further deliberations on this subject a number of difficulties presented themselves, of which the following are here stated:

1st: Should we lay out a number of lots with the idea of furnishing localities for such of the freedmen as are now living and working with citizens of the town, or are members of our Church, it could not be expected that it would be possible permanently to restrict the occupancy of such lots only to this

class of freedmen, and such a settlement would undoubtedly only form the point towards which eventually a number of blacks would be drawn that are now living at a greater distance from here. Experiments of this kind have already been made near Greensboro, and thus far have only tended to produce a very undesirable state of affairs in that town and neighbourhood by the large concourse of blacks drawn to and collected at those negro towns.

2ndly: The accumulation of this class of people in our neighbourhood would undoubtedly also lead to extensive encroachments (pilfering) upon the woods of the Diacony, and in so far prove a real loss to us.

3dly: Altho' not inclined to pay attention to every whisper of disapprobation from others, Board nevertheless has learned that there is such an almost unanimous sentiment against such a plan among the members of our Church as to render its adoption at this time inexpedient.

For these and other reasons Board finally unanimously concluded to postpone this matter indefinitely.

4. It was resolved that 36 coupons of the N. Carolina State bonds owned by Salem Diacony be funded according to a provision made by the Legislature of the State, i.e., that a new bond be bo't with them, this being the only way to make them available, as the State does not pay cash for them.

Provincial Financial Board, 1868
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Thurs., Feb. 20. Brn. Bahnson and Rights absent.

A meeting of the Board had been appointed for this day in order to consider the Kernersville Church matter. Br. Bahnson was prevented from being present. Board, however, took the matter into consideration. There is a debt of about \$1,000 to \$1,200 remaining unpaid on Kernersville Church. As the Kernersville brethren undertook the building of this church on their own responsibility without consulting the P.E.C., and no estimate of the cost or plan of the building was ever officially exhibited, Financial Board is not in any manner bound to assume or become responsible for the debt which has been incurred and remains unpaid. It was, however, the opinion of the Board that all the help at our command should be

extended to the brethren who engaged in the work of erecting a Church. As there is a reserve of \$200 in books of Wa. S.D. amount of appropriation to the Macedonia Church, which has never been built, it was resolved to apply these \$200 at once towards Kernersville Church debt. By this appropriation the most pressing demands will be met, and meanwhile other ways may be found to assist the Kernersville brethren. These \$200 are to be paid to Dr. E. Kerner, who represents the Kernersville brethren as chairman of their building committee, and to be applied by him for the liquidation of the most urgent claims.

Sat., Apr. 18. Br. Rights absent.

2. The \$200 appropriated by Board additionally to Kernersville Church (see minutes of Feb. 20, 1868) have been paid to Dr. E. Kerner and a further sum of \$331.94 settled by Bro. E.A. Vogler. For this amount of \$331.94, Dr. Kerner and the other brethren are expected to give their note to the Treasurer.

5. Br. Frye has no tombstone. His family are not able to procure one. It was suggested that the Philadelphia congr. might reasonably do something in this matter.

7. The subject of boarding the country delegates at the approaching Provincial Synod should be brought before the next Congregation Council of Salem.

Thurs., July 30. Br. L. Rights absent.

2. Br. Thos. S. Pfohl, Treasr. of Wa. Sustent. Diacy., submitted the yearly accounts from June 1, 1867, to May 31, 1868. This year's surplus, including a contribution from Salem Female Acady. of \$2,500, amounts to \$1,871.52. Among the assets there are a number entirely worthless. It will be proper in order to simplify the accounts, in accordance with recommendation of the late Provincial Synod, to sink these lost assets, and for this purpose the above surplus must be applied, as well as the Fund Account and as much of the Provincial Fund as may be required. The following assets will therefore be canceled in the way indicated above, viz.:

Coupon Reserve Acct.	\$699.30
N.C. Treasury Notes	43.40
New N.C. Bonds issued during war	5,000.00
Salem Savings Inst. Acct.	<u>804.38</u>
Total	\$6,547.08

Therefore this year's surplus	\$1,871.52
Fund Acct.	4,256.28
and of the Prov. Fund	<u>419.28</u>
Total	\$6,547.08

will be required. The balance on Provincial Fund will hereafter be \$32,507.55. There are some other assets of doubtful character, but as their precise value cannot be ascertained at present, they will have to be carried forward at their nominal value.

3. The questions of disposing of a part or the whole of the Old N.C. Bonds, whose market value is at present about 72 [on face value of 100], was discussed. Board requested Br. Vogler and others to make inquiry about the safe investment of the proceeds should a sale hereafter be ordered.

Wed., Aug. 12. Brn. L. Rights and E. A. Vogler absent.

3. Treasurer has received the sum of \$982, 2nd installment from S. Savings Inst., and desires directions how to dispose of it. Board thought it expedient to keep this sum in hand for the present, till the matter of selling the Old N.C. Bonds has been finally decided.

Thurs., Nov. 5. Br. E. A. Vogler absent.

2. Subscriptions of congregations for 1868 for support of ministers are as follows: Bethany and Bethabara \$228 and \$52, together \$280. Friedland \$39.80, Kernersville \$16.50, Hope \$15.50, together \$71.80. Friedberg and Macedonia will make up the required \$450. The subscription of Philadelphia, which will go direct to the Sustent. Fund, amounts to \$31.90 and will probably be somewhat increased. The Treasurer was authorized to settle with the Treasr. of Bethany congr. for 9 months of 1868.

3. The idea of sending Bro. Henry Cooper to a hospital in Philadelphia is probably impracticable on account of the costs. At any rate the initiatory steps must be taken by his friends. A donation might perhaps be made by the Financial Board, altho' by the paying of his pension Board is doing all that it is properly authorized to do.

4. Br. S. T. Pfohl, Treasr., has received an additional \$800 on the Holt note. He has at present \$1,785 on hand. How is this sum to be disposed of. The 48 coupons of Old N.C. Bonds Board resolved to fund and to sell the new Bonds if they bring

66 or more. Bro. Vogler is to be requested to attend to the funding of the coupons and selling of the Bonds when he goes to New York.

Tues., Dec. 29. Br. Rights absent.

2. Bro. Vogler reported that he had funded the coupons, but that the Bonds had not yet been received.

3. The Treasurer received yesterday an additional \$500 on the Holt note. Has now \$2,285 on hand. Two propositions for the investment of this sum were considered. The first to loan it to Pa. Sustent. Diacy. at 6%, according to an offer of Bro. Sylv. Wolle to that effect, or to purchase U.S. securities. The first proposition was adopted by the Board.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1868

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Wed., Jan. 1. A cloudy morning. The snow is about 10 inches deep. At $1\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 I preached. Only the members in town were in the Church with the exception of brother Thos. Lash and family. I did not go to Bethabara, where there was to have been meeting tonight.

Sat., Jan. 4. A warm clear day and the snow is melting fast. In the afternoon I went to Pleasant Ridge, a new school house in the neighborhood of [what] used to be called Mickey's, and preached to about 30 persons.

Sat., Jan. 11. Commenced a course of instruction with some colored persons with a view of organizing a Church. Ten were present.

Sun., Jan. 12. In consequence of the cold weather I preached in the school house this forenoon instead of the Church. In the afternoon I preached for the colored people. There was a good congregation, and they were very attentive.

Sat., Jan. 18. At 2 o'clock P.M. instruction for the colored class in their Church; 15 were present today.

Mon., Feb. 10. A disagreeable morning, but Mr. Solomon Tice came in yesterday with a request from a black man, Tom Stauber, living near Pfafftown, to come and see him, as he is not expected to live. I accordingly went out, and conversed, sang and prayed with him. He seemed to be in a good frame of

mind, and said he felt the Saviour was with him, and he was willing to go at any time.

Wed., Feb. 12. Tom Stauber died this morning about 4 o'clock—to be buried tomorrow 1 o'clock.

Fri., Feb. 14. Met at Bethabara for the purpose of electing a new Committee: the Brethren Calvin H. Hauser, Phillip Billiter, William Pratt and Theodore Hine. Lewis Hine is steward and Theodore Hine grave digger.

Sun., Feb. 23. Preaching at Bethania in the morning and at 2 o'clock P.M. had Communion. Considering the road and the weather it was well attended. The brethren Edward Butner, Frank Butner and John Grabs were present, the two first named living 15 miles [away] and the latter 7 miles, as also brother William Glasscock living at Waughtown.

Tues., Mar. 10. A colored man, Joseph Shouse, the father of the woman Susan I went to see yesterday came to inform me she was dead. She died at 8 o'clock last night, about 2 hours after I left her, and he wished me to bury her remains and preach her funeral tomorrow at 10 o'clock. He told me [that] after I left she began to pray very earnestly, and continued without intermission for about an hour, calling upon the Saviour to have mercy upon her and not let her die in her sins and be lost. All at once, he said, she said: "Daddy, Mr. Rights is right. He said I must pray to Jesus and look to him, and Daddy, I have found Jesus right now, just here, and I feel that [he] is with me. Yes, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good. O Daddy, it is all light now, and I can go, and I want to go and live with Jesus always, for he has been so good to me. I thought I must be lost, but Jesus is with me now, and I am not afraid to die." She called for her brothers and sisters, and admonished them to abandon their evil ways and seek an interest in Jesus before they came upon a dying bed. She then requested them all to kneel down, and she prayed for them. After the prayer she asked them to join with her in singing "Alas and Did My Saviour Bleed." When they had finished, she said: "Give me one more drink of water, and I shall be with Jesus." Her father gave her the water. She handed back the cup, and died without a struggle.

Wed., Mar. 11. Buried the remains and preached the funeral of Susan Shouse, her mother's name is Judy, formerly belonged to Sr. Elisabeth Rights in Salem. She produced a testament, presented to her by Constantine L. Rights, [who

was] then a boy, where she has all her children's ages recorded in regular form. I preached from Luke 13:24-25. I had a good congregation, and all seemed to be affected.

Fri., Mar. 13. Buried the remains and preached the funeral of Robert Irenius Shouse, infant son of Henry and Eliza Virginia Shouse, late Conrad. Its age was six months and 11 days. Its mother is a Hinkelite Lutheran, and as they have no minister in this section of country, she was in a great deal of trouble about getting it baptized, as Mr. Emanuel Beck, their High Priest in this section, objects to the *Moravian* form of baptism. So she was not willing that I should baptize it but carried it down to Winston on a very cold day in February and had Brother Bahnson to attend to it, and the child has never been well a day since, and I protest in the name of all the other brethren if brother Bahnson has a later edition of the baptismal service to let it be forthcoming at once and not leave us groping in the dark to the peril of the lives of the little ones. I preached from Luke 18:15.

Mon., Mar. 23. Took some corn to brother Thos. Lash's mill, and while it was grinding I went to the house, and while sitting in the room talking with Sister Lash brother Lash came in, and the first words were: "Thank God I am alive." (He had been at work on the saw mill.) We looked at him with surprise, and I noticed two gashes at the side of his neck bleeding quite freely. In answer to my inquiry how it happened, he said he was sawing a pine log into plank 14 feet long, 16 inches wide and 2 inches thick. He had sawn off a plank and was running the carriage back when by some means the circle saw caught this heavy plank and hurled it past him with the velocity of an arrow, grazing his neck, and sent it through the wall at the other end of the mill house and lodged it on the upper floor of an adjoining building. If he had stood six inches farther to the left it would have severed his head from his body.

Sat., Mar. 28. This afternoon was appointed to work on the graveyard and graveyard alley and to build a new bridge. About forty persons came in, and the work was done in a few hours.

Sun., Mar. 29. Went to Crooked Run. When I got there I learned that Mr. Virgil Wilson had an appointment here at the same hour and that he was then in the meeting house waiting for me. It was finally agreed that as my appointment was made 2 weeks before his I should preach first, which I accordingly did from 1 Corinthians 1:30: But of him are ye in Christ Jesus,

who is made unto us *Wisdom*, Righteousness, etc. After I was done Mr. Wilson got up and said in ten minutes we will begin our course of reasoning from the Scriptures, and the people went out of the house, and I [and] some others left. The most of them, however, staid. I understand since, that he commenced by saying that he had written to me, sought a personal interview, and now made this appointment to meet the gentleman that has just occupied the pulpit but he has left just like all the balance of them—and talked in this strain two hours.

Sun., Apr. 5. Palm Sunday. At night commenced reading from the Acts of the Son of Man at Bethania, and brother Edgar Leinbach by request of the members will read at Bethabara during the week of evenings and some brother from Salem will keep the meetings on Good Friday.

Sun., Apr. 12. Easter Sunday. At 4 o'clock we were aroused from our slumbers by the trombone band and at 1/2 past 5 assembled at the Church and proceeded to the Graveyard where the Easter Litany was prayed. The morning was fine and an unusual number were present.

Sat., Apr. 25. In the afternoon preaching at Spanish Grove to quite a good number of women and children and not one man. Some of the men were planting corn, and a number were putting up the bridge on the Brooks Town Road, washed away by the late freshet.

Wed., Apr. 29. Brother Benjamine Linebach left this morning for Nazareth Hall, where he has accepted a call as teacher.

Mon., May 11. Went to Salem to attend the Wachovia Provincial Synod that is convened there today.

Thurs., May 14. Synod adjourned today to meet again in the fall.

Wed., May 20. A number of the Sisters made the new curtains for the Church.

([Bethania Report:] *Wed., May 27.* Helped brother Levine Grabs raise his new barn.)

([Bethania Report:] *Thurs., May 28.* Helped brother Daniel Butner cover his house.)

Sun., May 31. Whitsunday. ([Bethania Report:] In the afternoon Brother Z. Hage rewarded his colored Sunday School scholars. A goodly number from the Salem Sunday School colored were present as spectators. At 3 o'clock I preached, and a colored man from Salem closed with a *good exhortation* and *prayer*.)

Sun., June 14. Bethania Congregation Anniversary. At 1 o'clock the congregation met to hear the report of the [Synod] committee in reference to a union of the two American Provinces. Brother William Leinbach read the report.

Fri., June 19. Started to the mountains. . . .

Sun., June 21. Preached at Mt. Bethel from Luke 18:29-30. At the close of the service I invited the members to remain after the congregation was dismissed, as I wished to know how many parents belonged to us. Sixteen staid in, and I was told a number were kept away by sickness. The members seemed to deplore their condition very much, and were anxious to know if there was any prospect for their getting a minister, and I told them for the present the prospect was not very cheering and all that we could do was to try and serve them once a month till fall and see what might turn up till then.

Wed., June 24. This forenoon I visited a number of families, and then went over on the Fancy Gap road to see Mr. Wigfall. From him I learned that several Pennsylvania German families had moved into the neighborhood this spring and that one family was living within a quarter of a mile from here, and I concluded to go and see them. The old lady and her daughter received me very cordially. Her husband was not at home. Their names are Rothrock, and they are from the neighborhood of Potts Town, Penn. The 2nd family is their son and the 3d their son-in-law named Feisel. The old lady appeared to be very dissatisfied with their exchange. She said Mr. Wigfall had sent out circulars through[out] Pennsylvania setting forth that the land was rich and cheap, and upon these representations they had been induced to emigrate, and there were a number of families in Pennsylvania waiting for a favorable report in order to come on next fall, but, said she, they will hardly come. I did not visit the other families as the old lady said none of the men were at home.

Thurs., June 25. Started for home.

Sun., July 5. Mr. Baldwin, a Missionary Baptist, preached at Bethania from James 5:20.

Sun., July 19. A very hot day, the thermometer was 104.

Mon., Aug. 17. ([Bethania Report:] At 1/2 past 9 o'clock this evening Sister Amanda Lehman died. Her death was caused by a cancer on her breast, and although it has been coming for several years, yet not even the members of her own family were aware of it until within a few weeks, when she communicated

the fact to Oliver, her son, and counseled him to give up the idea of building, for by fall he could occupy her house, as she would have no use for it, and although he had collected together the most of his materials, to gratify her he gave it up for the present, and her predictions have been verified. On last Friday she was engaged all day in house cleaning, and in the evening she told her daughter that *that* would be the last time, for by the time it would need it again it would pass into other hands. She told Sr. Catharine Lehman on Thursday that her work here was nearly finished, and that she was joyfully anticipating the time when the Saviour would call her home, and all her acts the last week of her life proved that she was setting her house in order, externally and internally.)

Sun., Aug. 30. In the afternoon I preached for the colored people at their church. The preaching was out doors as there was not room in the house. Their Sunday School is well attended this summer, and they are making commendable progress in learning.

Sun., Sept. 13. Sunday School anniversary at Bethabara. I preached at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon there were various exercises on the part of the children, the Bethania School taking part in the singing and the Bethania Band filling up the interval with sacred music. The whole affair was creditable gotten up, and Brother Edgar Leinbach and his teachers deserve praise and encouragement for their faithfulness during the past year. I remarked to one man this was a great day for Bethabara. Yes, he replied, the constable election used to be the great day here, but things have changed of late years for the better.

Sat., Sept. 19. Sunday School anniversary at Antioch. The Bethania Sunday School children went. Samuel Stauber and Alvin Butner and others furnished the wagons to transport them. At 11 o'clock I preached, and then we had dinner in the woods, and a joyful time it was for the little folks. The Bethania Band was also present and lent their aid in giving variety to the entertainment on the occasion. After dinner we again assembled in the grove, where amid recitations, singing and music we spent several pleasant hours, the whole being concluded with a presentation of Bibles to six of the best

scholars of the Antioch Sunday School. This part was performed by Brother Solomon Helsebeck, and he gave one of the most interesting addresses to the young I ever listened to.

Fri., Oct. 23. Left home for Mt. Bethel, staid overnight at Mt. Airy.

Mon., Oct. 26. Preaching at Mt. Bethel at 11 o'clock and baptized the married Sister Leathe Scott, wife of Brother John Scott, and also the infant daughter of brother and sister Jesse and Elizabeth Hiatt, late Scott. As the baptism was announced on yesterday, there was a good turnout. I again preached at night. ([Bethania Report:] [in the congregation were] a number of Baptist friends. I addressed them at length upon our views in relation [to] that ordinance both as regards adults and infants. After the service a Baptist lady came to me and said that she was much pleased with my remarks and that she viewed the whole matter entirely different from what she had heretofore, and some of the brethren told me that others of the Baptists had made the same remarks to them.)

Wed., Oct. 28. At 10 o'clock prayer meeting, at 11 preaching, and again at night and confirmation of a single sister, Rosa Elisabeth Chapel. And here my labors [at Mt. Bethel] closed to my great regret, as a number had presented themselves yesterday and today as subjects for prayer and instruction, and the interest in the meeting increased every day during its progress, and if I could have continued till over the next Sunday I confidently entertain the hope that I would have had several accessions to the Church.

Thurs., Dec. 3. Went with Sister Rights to Friedberg, where brother Daniel Spachs, sen., and George Teshes celebrated their golden weddings, 50 years since their marriage. Brother and Sister Bahnson, Bro. and Sr. Grunert, Bro. and Sr. Oerter, [and] Bro. and Sister Gottlieb Clouder from Bethlehem were present.

Mon., Dec. 14. Preparatory Provincial Synod re-assembled today.

Wed., Dec. 16. Synod adjourned. Delegates elected to the General Synod. Ch. Lewis Rights had 19 votes on the first ballot while number cast [was] 21 votes. Brother R. was declared elected. On the 3d ballot brother G. F. Bahnson received 16 votes and was declared elected.

Friedberg Diary, with Macedonia, 1868

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of R. Parmenio Leinbach.]

Tues., Jan. 14. Raining and freezing. Took Sr. Mary Ernst something to eat, as she complained so on Sunday. Hat and coat frozen hard. Very cold.

Thurs., Jan. 16. Took some lard, potatoes, and turnips for Sr. Ernst.

Sun., Jan. 19. Preaching, etc. Took up a collection for West Indies missions which had suffered from hurricanes.

Sat., Jan. 25. We were compelled to move upstairs today on account of the bad smell rising from the carcass of a dead rat.

Tues., Jan. 28. Visited Br. Chr. Spach and on my return found Br. Chas. Bahnson here from Davie. He had had a number of watches stolen from his shop one night, and had reason to believe they were secreted in Davidson County.

Wed., Feb. 19. 45 brn. were here making a new fence.

Fri., Feb. 21. Raining all day. Such days I am always glad to see, as I can then remain at home and do up my writing, studying, etc. I have been studying a good deal at Hodge's *Way of Life*, and find it one of the best works ever written by uninspired man.

Sat., Feb. 29. That grand humbug, "Last Day's School," enacted here.

Wed., Mar. 4. Was about starting to Salem when a messenger came announcing the death of Sr. Fishel, and requesting me to come over there. She died the preceding day, and no notice was given me until just now. So dummen Leute. Of course I did not go, as I had no time. Buried her about 3 o'clock. After funeral I started to town. Upset on the way, as it was quite dark, and finally reached Salem about 9 o'clock.

Tues., Mar. 17. The brn. here working on the graveyard. They also put a new roof on the carriage shed.

Sun., Mar. 29. After dinner Brn. Jesse Mock, C. Spach, and myself went to Anderson Rominger's and endeavored to settle a quarrel between him and his wife. Failed most signally. ([Friedberg Report:] He was unwilling to return home unless his wife promised to treat him better. This she refused to do, alleging that she had not been guilty of misconduct towards him, and was not disposed to humble herself to him without cause.)

Mon., Mar. 30. Went again this morning and succeeded better. ([Friedberg Report:] after a protracted and stormy session, we succeeded at last in extracting promises of better conduct for the future.)

Sat., Apr. 25. Committee meeting. Had Br. Ripple before Committee about immoral conduct with some "lewd woman of the baser sort," but as there was but one witness against him and one in his favor, there was not enough evidence there to secure his conviction, tho' the minds of the brn. seemed satisfied as to his guilt. 'Tis a sad case when an old man nearly 85 years of age must be bro't before a Committee accused of too great liberties with women.

Mon., May 18. My horse fell with me at Br. Hege's store and came home without me.

Sun., May 31. ([Friedberg Report:] Tho' the Dunkards had their annual "General Meeting," Communion, etc., the church was well filled, notwithstanding that a number of the younger portion of the community had gone to attend service at the Dunkard Church.)

Mon., June 1. Plowed and hoed my potatoes. 'Twas very hard work. 'Tis my own private opinion that hard and exhausting manual labor is not as conducive to a high standard of pastoral and ministerial usefulness, as is desirable. But—.

Sun., June 21. After preaching, election of Sunday School managers and discussion of the proposed Union of Northern and Southern Provinces.

Sun., July 19. ([Friedberg Report:] After preaching, the report of the Finance Committee was read, submitting a statement of the amounts which the members had been taxed. There was much dissatisfaction expressed, and some few refused to pay the amounts affixed to their names.)

Sat., July 25. Started for Mt. Bethel. The road was very heavy and my horse old. Crossing the little Yadkin, the water came into the buggy. Soon it began to rain, and continued pouring. At Mickey's blacksmith shop I turned round and went back, as I met one of our young Friedberg brn. who informed me that I could not possibly get to Mt. Airy.

Mon., Aug. 17. Went to Shiloh to aid the Prot. Methodists at a camp meeting. Remained until Friday, having preached every day.

Sun., Aug. 30. Preached at Mt. Bethel. Tho' Br. Bahnson had written two letters, none of them were received, and

consequently there was a small company at first. Some of the neighbors were called in, and we had a good congregation. At night I preached again, and on Monday morning I preached, and administered the Communion to about one dozen persons. Monday after dinner I started with Capt. Robert Clark to visit the famous pinnacles of the Dan. Those pinnacles certainly are a wonderful freak of nature. I have been among our Sauratown Mountains, among the highlands of the Hudson, and the Catskills of N.Y., but have never met anything to compare with the "Pinnacles of the Dan."

Fri., Sept. 4. Arrived safe at home. It rained almost every day whilst I was gone. Sometimes I was soaked in places to the skin. But I do not regret my expedition to Mt. Bethel, tho' it was a severe one. I learned to love those good people up there, and were there some easier way of access I would love to go up there every year.

Sun., Sept. 6. Commenced protracted meeting at Macedonia. Br. Rominger and Br. Rights assisted me. ([Friedberg Report:] The attendance during these days has been very good, but the attention of the people is much more drawn to politics than to religion. . . . As the interest of the people in the meeting seemed to increase, Br. Rights and I resolved to have services during another day, and therefore there was preaching again this morning [Sept. 9], Br. Rights delivering a sermon to a small congregation. At night he again preached and closed the services. The people all seemed much encouraged and gratified at having once more in their midst the founder of their church.)

Fri., Sept. 18. Vomiting; took the fever. This fever continued on me for about two weeks.

Mon., Sept. 21. Dr. Keehl came down to see me. Fever, fever, fever. Days of suffering and nights of weariness were now appointed to me. Thus the days dragged slowly, wearily, and painfully along until the new month came in pain and dragged its slow length on in weakness.

The new month finds me still down with fever. Dr. Keehl calls it "continued fever." It is almost as severe as typhoid, tho' wanting some of the characteristics of that terrible disease.

Wed., Oct. 7. Today the fever seems to be broken. Thank God! How miserably weak I am.

Sun., Oct. 11. As an evidence of the malignant character of our Friedberg atmosphere, I need only mention that tho' our Salem friends were here during the warmest part of the

day, when the miasm has the least power, yet seven of their number had the fever in the course of a few days.

Fri., Oct. 30. There has been so much sickness and the end thereof is not yet.

Mon., Nov. 23. At Br. Rominger's request went down beyond Reedy Creek to baptize a woman, but one of his *lay brn.* had already attended to it.

Thurs., Dec. 3. Br. Daniel Spach's golden wedding celebrated today. Brn. Bahnson, Grunert, Pfohl, Rights, Oerter, Clauder, and E. W. Leinbach down. These took dinner with us.

Sun., Dec. 6. Preached at Macedonia.

Mon., Dec. 7. Returned home. 'Tis rather discouraging over there. The war has left a bad effect in dividing people politically. There never can be much accomplished over there.

Sat., Dec. 12. Communion Day. 'Twas bitter cold. The brn. suffered so much that they took up a collection toward the purchase of a new stove.

Sun., Dec. 20. Preaching and Sunday School. After dinner I lectured to the S.S. children on the history of Joseph. Our poor children here are so ignorant, 'tis painful to contemplate how sadly deficient they are.

Thurs., Dec. 31. Several Brn. here putting up new stove. Another year is gone, a year of much suffering, sickness, many deaths. What has the next year in store for us?

Friedland Reports, with Kernersville, Hope, 1868

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Charles Henry Cooper.]

Sun., Jan. 12. Mr. Samuel Phillips and Anthony Kastner, who are on a visit from Indiana, were here at meeting.

[[Ministers Conference minutes:] *Thurs., Apr. 2.* On account of failing health, Br. Cooper has retired from the service, and will be succeeded by Br. Friebele.)

[The handwriting is now that of John Adam Friebele.]

Sun., Apr. 19. Br. Bahnson introduced Br. F. to the congregation, after which Br. Bahnson preached. . . .

Sun., May 10. Br. Amos Stewart went with me to Hope, where I preached my introductory sermon. . . .

Sun., May 17. I went to Kernersville. Br. Bahnson introduced me to the congregation. . . .

Mon., July 6. Br. Philip Spach and Henry Reed built us a bake oven. On the 7th and 8th Brn. and I finished building the sides and chimney and put on the roof.

Sun., Oct. 11. The Committee paid me a visit and wanted me to make it known that Mr. Miller would preach the funeral of Tom Wilson's children at Friedland next Sunday. As I did not like the arrangement, I refused to do it, unless P.E.C. ordered it to be done.

Sun., Oct. 18. The funeral of Tom Wilson's children was not preached at Friedland as Br. Jake Smith wanted it.

Sun., Nov. 22. [Committee] passed a resolution "That strangers who want to bury their dead on our graveyard must pay 2 dollars before they dig the grave." Those persons only are excepted whose names are recorded on page 3 of the minutes of the Committee, they having pledged themselves to do their part in keeping the fence, etc., in proper repair.

[New] Philadelphia Diary, 1868

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Jan. 5. Holy Communion was celebrated. The whole number of communicants were 36, of whom 1 woman and 1 white and 1 black man were Methodists. The colored man Jerry Banner, who communed with us, seems to be really a pious follower of the Lord.

Sun., Jan. 12. Preached at the Poor House at 2 1/4 P.M. to a large attendance of neighbors and some of the inmates of the Home in the room of the superintendent's, which was not large enough to hold all that had assembled.

Fri., Feb. 7. Started about 9 A.M. on horseback for the purpose of keeping the funeral of the married bro. John Martin Rominger, who had died after a brief illness of only 3 days on Wednesday, Feb. 5, about 5 P.M. The young widow and child are greatly to be pitied.

Sun., Feb. 16. Fine, clear day. Rode on horseback to Phila. After dinner, as the young widow Emily Rominger had particularly requested to see me, rode back to her house. Found quite

a number of friends there. Returned home about 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M., having rode 18 miles this day.

Sun., Mar. 15. Today the Single Br. Francis Ketner, a communicant member of Phila. congregation, left with his parents for the West.

Sun., Apr. 19. At 2 P.M. preached at Poor House on St. Mark 16:6. On my way home overtook the wagons coming from Mt. Bethel with Bro. Friebele's goods and chattels.

Sun., May 31. Whitsunday. The married Sister Alpha Jane Crater, m.n. Reich, wife of Reuben Crater, having died after a short illness of only one week's duration, the services appointed for the day had to be postponed, on account of the funeral and burial. The departed leaves two little children, the older not quite 2 years of age, and the younger an infant of a few weeks. She had this spring settled with her husband on a farm which he had bought, and to all human appearances, long years of wedded life and happiness were before them. Her age was 24 years and 6 months. I had married the departed to her bereaved husband in 1865, confirmed her in 1866, and was now called on to bury her remains. There were so many assembled, that the church could not have afforded room for the females present. The benches from the church were removed into the grove near the church, and a table and chair placed for me under a tree. After the congregation had arranged themselves on the benches and under the trees, I preached on Ps. 39:9 to a very attentive audience. The procession to the graveyard was headed by the S. School, singing hymns. On the graveyard, it being about 1 P.M., the heat and the burning rays of sun were very oppressive.

Sun., June 21. After preaching, Br. Thos. Spaugh, as delegate to the Prov. Synod, made a report to the congregation. The circular of the Committee on Union with the Northern Province and the circular in reference to the support of the ministry were communicated to the congregation and some remarks added in explanation of the subjects contained in them.

Sun., July 19. After service, a meeting of the newly elected Committee took place at which it was resolved to take up a subscription annually for the support of the minister, or under present circumstances, the ministry in general. In the case of the Br. Alexander Miller and his wife Sr. Sarah m.n. Transou, whose child was born about 7 months after marriage, the

Committee came to the conclusion that church discipline must be exercised. The communication of this resolution to the parties concerned will not take place till Sr. Miller has recovered her health. Dined at Br. Tim. Transou's. Before leaving for home had a conversation with him in reference to his daughter and her husband. He expressed himself in a very proper manner and agreed to the necessity of exercising discipline.

Sun., July 26. Rainy Sunday. At 2 P.M. preached at the Poor House. The most of the inmates seem to like to hear the word of God. They are very attentive. One of [the] negroes after preaching expressed his delight, saying, "I love to hear these things, and I try to do what you tell me to do. I pray to the Lord morning and night."

Sat., Aug. 15. Celebration of August 13th. 25 communicants, including Calvin Riddle and wife, partook of the Lord's Supper. On account of a camp meeting at Maple Springs, I did not preach on Sunday, Aug. 16th, at Phila.

Sun., Aug. 30. After preaching was requested to take the subject of holding a protracted meeting at Phila. into consideration and to make known my decision by next time.

Sun., Sept. 13. After preaching announced that the Lord permitting, according to the request of the congregation, a protracted meeting would be held at Phila., commencing Sunday, Sept. 27.

Sun., Sept. 27. Beginning of a 2 days' meeting at Phila. Found a goodly number of people assembling at Phila. More would have been present if weather had been more promising. At 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. Br. Bahnson preached first sermon on St. John 3:16. The sermon was in the church and not at the stand in open air which had been prepared, the ground being very damp. The people were very attentive. Not all the people could get seats.

Mon., Sept. 28. Owing to the accumulated work of the farmers, the attendance of the men was not as good as on Sunday.

Tues., Sept. 29. On this day there were no meetings during the day. At night there was prayer meeting. Notice was given by me that the meetings would close, and that any that desired to join the church should be present on Sunday, Oct. 11th, when instruction would begin, there being one candidate for membership already. During the course of these meetings a spirit of decorum and interest seemed to prevail. What good

may have been done, time must show. Should there be accessions to the church they must be of persons unconnected with our church, as all our own young people are already in full membership.

Sun., Oct. 11. Announced after service that a subscription paper for the support of ministry would be opened next time, according to resolution of Provincial Synod. Immediately after preaching, commenced the instruction of Reuben Crater preparatory to confirmation. No other candidate has thus far offered.

Sun., Oct. 25. This being day appointed for opening a subscription for the support of the ministry, I spoke on 1 Cor. 9:13-14, concerning the right of ministers to expect a support from their people and the duty of the people to maintain their ministers. After preaching the subscription lists were handed round and the names taken down. I did not stay long enough to hear the amount subscribed. ([Margin note:] Amount subscribed in Phila. thus far \$31.90.)

Sun., Nov. 22. Br. Grunert preached on this day at Phila., on account of my absence as delegate to the Northern Provincial Synod.

[The long awaited shortcut to the Far East became a reality as the Suez Canal was opened in Egypt in November.

In March Ulysses S. Grant was inaugurated as the eighteenth president of the United States. In May the trans-continental railroad was completed with the driving of a golden spike at Promontory Point, Utah. September 24 became "Black Friday" as attempts to corner the gold market disrupted the financial world. The Wyoming territory became the first to grant women the vote.]

Memorabilia of the Congregation at Salem, 1869

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

All the Foreign Missionary Societies, the Home Mission Society, as well as the Bible and Tract Societies deserve the help of all who love the truth as it is in Christ Jesus, and afford opportunity for obedience to the exhortation: "As ye *have* therefore opportunity, do good unto all men." Owing to peculiar circumstances, some of these societies have not held their regular meetings during the past year, and some for a longer period. It is to be hoped that all who are members of them will do all in their power to strengthen one another's hands and infuse new life into their respective bodies, since we are admonished not to become weary in well doing, seeing that in due season we shall reap if we faint not.

It is especially to be regretted that our Home Mission Society has not yet been able to supply the vacant station at Mt. Bethel, Va. Visits have been made and services held there by the ministers of our country congregations, and in general the attendance was very good, and very marked interest was manifested. But the stay of visiting brethren is necessarily limited to a few days, and it would obviously be much better if someone were again stationed there permanently. There is no doubt that a great deal of good may be accomplished and many a soul saved through our instrumentality in that region of country.

[The Lord] has moved mysteriously in our midst this year by removing from us him whose office it was to minister to this congregation in holy things, our esteemed brother, Bishop

George Frederic Bahnson, the pastor of this congregation and the president of our P.E.C., whom He called home to himself on Sept. 11th. He had been engaged in the service of this Province of our Church for a period of 24 years, during 15 of which he ministered regularly to this congregation as minister and pastor. The circumstances attending his departure are still fresh in the memory of all; nor can we ever forget how quickly and unexpectedly he, who was naturally of so strong and robust a frame and constitution, and might apparently have continued to serve the Lord and his church here below for a number of years to come, was stricken down and his labors suddenly brought to a close. His loss will be long and deeply felt, not only by his own afflicted family, but by a large circle of friends and the members of this congregation in general, for whose welfare he was always truly concerned.

Since the departure of Br. Bahnson the spiritual wants of the congregation have been attended to as well as possible by the assistant pastor and other brethren in the ministry resident here who all had regular duties of another character.

Our own Sunday School and the others in town connected with our church have been regularly held and we hope are a source of good to all who attend them and will continue to be such to them and many more. The number of scholars in our Sunday School is about 170 with 20 teachers, in the Elm Street School 75 with 10 teachers, and in the African Sunday School 175 with 12 teachers.

[T]he Forsyth County Sunday School Union, an association formerly existing under the name of Stokes County Sunday School Union but which had not been active for some years, was this year revived, chiefly through the exertions of one of our brethren, E. A. Vogler, who is now the president of the association. Meetings of the officers and members of Sunday Schools from different parts of the county were held here in the church at different times, and the Forsyth County Sunday School Union was regularly organized.

On Thursday, Sept. 30th, a county Sunday School celebration was held in our public square. Platforms for the musicians and speakers had been erected and tastily decorated, and before them seats were arrayed, the benches from the church and chapel as well as from other localities having been obtained for the purpose, besides which other seats also provided for the large assembly.

A very creditable attempt was made in the beginning of the year by some of our young brethren and others to organize a Young Men's Christian Association, which project, it is hoped, has not been altogether abandoned, as such an association would certainly be productive of good here as is the case elsewhere.

One of the most important events of the year, not only to us, but to our whole Brethren's Church, was the assembling of a General Synod of our Church at Herrnhut in Germany. The sessions were opened on May 24th and closed on July 8th, embracing a period of nearly seven weeks. Delegates were present from the three Provinces of our church, the German (or Continental), British, and American, as well as from the mission fields in the West Indies, Surinam, Greenland, Labrador and South Africa. The ardent desire was manifested that we should continue to be a Unity of Brethren, and the resolutions adopted with reference to various important subjects will doubtless tend, by the blessing of the Lord, to provide this object as well as to increase the usefulness and activity of our Church.

As delegates of our Province to the General Synod, the brethren George F. Bahnson and Christian Lewis Rights had been elected at a Preparatory Synod held here at Salem in November 1868. They left us on Apr. 28th and returned Aug. 3rd after an absence of three months and four days. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz also left at the same time and attended the Synod in his official capacity as Administrator of the Unity in this Province. The Lord graciously held his protecting hand over all our brethren in their journeying to and from the Synod, and permitted them all to return to their houses in safety. But within three months after the close of the Synod three of its members were called to their eternal home, two of them bishops of our church and the third a gifted and useful brother in the ministry: Matthiesen, Bahnson, Bourquin.

Among the proposals laid before the General Synod was one perhaps more directly affecting us as a Province than any other. The subject of an organic union of the two American Provinces of our Church, having been discussed by our Preparatory Synod as well as by that of the Northern Province, and both appearing to be favorably disposed to the movement, our delegates were instructed to obtain the consent of the

General Synod to the consummation of the Union whenever it might appear advisable, and this consent was cheerfully given.

By the departure of Br. Bahnson only five weeks after his return from Europe, a seat in our P.E.C. was made vacant, and it therefore became necessary, according to our Constitution, to summon another Provincial Synod for the purpose of electing a new member of that body in his place. This Synod was convened here at Salem on Monday, Nov. 8th, and remained in session until Wednesday, the 10th. Its meetings were also of a very pleasant and agreeable character. The number of members present was 32. Br. Samuel Thomas Pfohl, the warden of this congregation, was elected as the third member of the P.E.C., and consented to assume the duties of that office. The union of the two American Provinces of our Church was again discussed, but the Synod decided to postpone the decision of the matter to our next regular Provincial Synod in 1871.

This subject is certainly one of great interest and importance, and every member of our Church in this Province should consider it his duty to become well acquainted with the facts in the case so that he may be able to form an intelligent and unprejudiced opinion, and [so that] the action of our next Provincial Synod with reference to this point [may] tend to promote the true welfare and prosperity of this portion of our beloved Church.

With reference to the church at large we may mention here one or two items of interest, which seem to manifest an increasing desire on the part of Christians to become more closely and firmly united wherever and in as great a degree as may be practicable. In the month of October an evangelical council met in the city of New York, at which representatives of all the leading denominations were present. Its object was to effect a closer sympathy among the various evangelical denominations, to consult as to the best means for bringing the gospel to bear practically and efficiently upon the people and on other kindred subjects. A series of resolutions was adopted as the basis of a permanent organization, and our own Church was designated as one of the eight denominations which are to send each 10 delegates to the next council.

An ecumenical (or general) council of the Roman Catholic Church was summoned by the Pope, and assembled in the city of Rome on the 8th instant, an event which has not taken

place for more than 300 years. The object is to affirm more positively than ever the peculiar and erroneous dogmas of the Romish church, and to promote its strength in opposition not only to an ungodly world, but to the efforts of all Protestants, who, being regarded as heretics, are invited to make use of this opportunity to retract their errors, and return to the bosom of the *true* church. A large number of bishops and ecclesiastics from all parts of the world have obeyed the summons of the Pope, and the council was opened with most imposing ceremonies. Were this not the age of free thought and free speech, we might entertain fears as to the effect of such a council on the prosperity of Christ's Church and the cause of truth. But while there is no need to fear its power or its results, one effect will surely be to encourage and unite still more closely the different sections of that church, already so numerous and influential in our own land, the influence of whose teachings we as Protestant Christians cannot otherwise than deprecate. And thus it helps to show the necessity of union as firm and close as possible among Evangelical Protestants in opposition to all forms of error as well as of ungodliness.

As a nation we have enjoyed during the past year the blessings of peace. Though the condition of some sections, and perhaps of our own, is not yet altogether what we could wish it, there has, in general, been improvement, and the material prosperity of the country, taken as a whole, has never been greater. The harvests were abundant, trade and commerce were active, no pestilence or plague was abroad in the land.

The year about to close has presented some interesting phenomena in the world of nature, the chief one of which, to us at least, was the total eclipse of the sun, which took place on Aug. 7th.

Our church edifice standing in need of some repairs and especially of a new roof, the work was commenced on Monday, May 3rd. The roofing was completed on Wednesday, May 12th, and was followed by the repainting of the steeple, as well as of the front and south side of the church. The clock face having been also renewed, the external appearance of the building is considerably improved. . . .

The Academy continues to enjoy the confidence of a large number of patrons. The health of the pupils has been generally good during the year, so that they could pursue their studies without any serious interruption. Besides the usual Christmas

entertainment on the evening of the 21st inst., an interesting Christmas Dialogue was recited by some of the pupils on Christmas Day in the evening. But this institution has also sustained during the year the loss of some who had been engaged in its service, among whom were the wife of the president and teachers of long and valuable experience. Sr. Maria Grunert, as the wife of the president, Br. M. E. Grunert, filled a position of importance for which she was well qualified by nature and by education, the duties of which, though often arduous, she took pleasure in faithfully discharging. Her sudden removal from this position as well as from her family by the hand of the Lord was another of his inscrutable dealings past finding out. At the close of the last session at the end of May one of the teachers, Sr. Charlotte F. Pfohl, who had faithfully and ably served in that capacity for 40 years, was called home to her rest after only a short illness, while another, Sr. Lydia Stauber, who had also labored successfully for a still longer period, reluctantly resigned a position, the duties of which were becoming too heavy for her.

The idea having been expressed that some improvement might be effected in the interior of the church edifice (as is certainly the case) at a meeting of the communicant members held Apr. 21st, a committee was appointed to examine into the proposed alterations and report to a subsequent meeting, which has as yet not been held. With reference to this matter the Ladies' Aid Society has continued to be active, having held another fair on 18th inst., at which not only articles made by our sisters themselves, but some from Herrnhut, Germany, and others from Labrador, as well as curiosities from Palestine were sold. At their instance also, a concert was given on Aug. 16th by four of our brn., two from the North, Profs. Massah Warner and Theo. Wolle, and two resident here, E. W. Lineback and A. C. Meinung, assisted by a musician from Philadelphia, an excellent performer on the clarinet. The music was of a very high order and most excellently rendered, all of the performers being proficient in their art, so that the audience enjoyed a rare treat.

Although we were not visited by any raging pestilence, sickness prevailed at different times more or less generally, and in a number of instances proved fatal, causing us repeatedly by the unexpected removal of those who were by no means advanced in years to realize the solemn truth that "in

the midst of life, we are in death." At one time (May, June, July) nearly all the children under two years of age were afflicted with a serious complaint—summer complaint—which also attacked a number of adults, but through the mercy and blessing of the Lord all were permitted to recover. There were also several serious cases of fever which baffled the skill of our faithful physicians and proved fatal.

Since the beginning of the winter season an influenza of a severe character has visited almost every family, and in one instance, Sr. Elis. Blum, has terminated fatally. It is worthy of note that some of the cases of departure during the summer were not only of an unexpected and peculiarly afflicting character, but followed one another in rapid succession, so that once in the course of nine days there were three funerals, and within 15 days three married sisters in the prime of life were taken from the side of their afflicted husbands and children.

Salem Diary, 1869

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of George Frederic Bahnson.]

Fri., Jan. 1. With prayer and praise we passed over into this new year. The closing meeting of the old year was very well attended, and the conduct of the people was unexceptionable. No noise or disturbance of any kind took place in the streets.

Sun., Jan. 3. Both discourses had reference to the subject proposed for today by the Evangelical Alliance, viz., to Christ as our high priest, and thus the week of prayer was inaugurated.

Fri., Jan. 8. Bro. Henry Bahnson, M.D., arrived today from Europe.

Mon., Jan. 11. Bro. Henry Cooper's mental malady rather increasing, he was taken today to the insane asylum at Raleigh.

Sun., Jan. 31. At 3 P.M. persons desirous of forming a Young Men's Christian Association met in the chapel.

Mon., Feb. 1. During last month the weather had been so unusually mild and pleasant that few persons remember anything more so of [as] this month. Today it was also very pleasant.

Tues., Feb. 2. An exceedingly unpleasant day—sleeting, raining, etc.

Sun., Feb. 28. Winter has apparently come back; this was one of the coldest days we have had.

Mon., Mar. 1. Bro. Bahnson kept missionary prayer meeting, making also allusion to the beginning of the Ancient Brethren's Church. The meeting was well attended.

Wed., Mar. 24. Very cool night. Fears are entertained that the peaches are "gone."

Sat., Mar. 27. Great Sabbath. For many years the meetings during this [Passion] week had not been so well attended as they were this time.

Sun., Mar. 28. Easter. A cloudy morning, rain later in the day. At 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. a large multitude had assembled before the church. In the usual manner they proceeded to the graveyard where Bro. Bahnson prayed the Easter litany, but no rising sun shed her rays upon the assembly.

Sun., Apr. 4. Miss Ryder, a young lady from Vermont, sent here by an association of Friends in Philadelphia to keep school for the colored people, was in preaching, rather the observed of all observers.

Wed., Apr. 7. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Bro. Oerter kept missionary prayer meeting. It was unusually well attended on the Brethren's side. He alluded to the beginning of the settlement in Georgia and of the mission in Surinam this day 134 years ago.

Sun., Apr. 11. Bro. Bahnson prayed the litany and preached from John 10:14. In the evening the same Brother ordained Bro. Oerter a presbyter.

Sun., Apr. 18. Single sisters' festival. It was anticipated, as Bro. Bahnson will leave for Herrnhut at the close of this month, and the Brethren remaining at home will have their hands very full indeed.

Wed., Apr. 21. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. there was a meeting for all the communicants. First something was said by the chairman about the necessity on the part of the congregation to support the Board of Elders in the exercise of church discipline. Then according to a motion which prevailed, the chair appointed the Brn. E. A. Vogler, Jas. Lineback, J. G. Sides, John D. Siewers, and John Fries a committee to examine into the intended or proposed alterations inside our church building and to report to some subsequent meeting. Bro. E. A. Vogler having resigned his seat on the Board of Elders owing to the state of his health, the Congregation Council met after the close of the other meeting and elected Bro. Edw. Wm. Lineback to fill his place.

[The handwriting is now that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Fri., Apr. 28. This P.M. the brn. Bahnson, Schweinitz, and Rights, delegates to the General Synod, together with Br. and Sr. Clauder (who had been here on a visit), their daughter-in-law (the wife of their lately deceased son Comenius), Br. Brickenstein, a delegate to the General Synod from the Northern Province who had brought his family hither, Sr. Adel. Hermann, who also goes to Europe, Br. Bahnson's son George, who will enter the College at Bethlehem, and Br. Eug. Ebert, who goes on a visit to Philadelphia, took their departure for the North. It was a clear, pleasant day.

Mon., May 3. Today the work of putting a new roof on the church was commenced. The beginning was made on the north side.

Thurs., May 6. Ascension Day. No services today, as the Board of Elders concluded to drop them on account of the work going on at the church.

Sun., May 9. Yesterday was the day set for our brn. who go to the General Synod to sail per steamer from N. York for Bremen. The delegates from both Provinces go together. May the Lord bring them safe to land again!

Tues., May 11. The roofing of the church was finished today. It has been accomplished without any accident or interruption, except 1/2 day on account of rain.

Wed., May 12. A new roof was put on the little porch (or Stübel) at the south side of the church, and the scaffolding put up at the west gable end (or front), as it is to be painted. The steeple is also to be painted.

Thurs., May 13. A scaffolding was today put up around the steeple.

Sun., May 30. There was a meeting at the Dunkard settlement, 8 miles distant, and also at Winston, which no doubt drew away some who should have been in our church.

Sat., June 12. Today the repairing of the exterior of the church was finished, and the last of the scaffolding removed. Besides the new roof, the steeple has been repainted, the front and south walls have been painted a sort of brown, doors and window frames have also been repainted, the clock face painted and gilded fresh and improved by the insertion of dots for the minutes, and a circle on the inside of the figures. Altogether the exterior of the church is much improved. The

Committee on improvement of the *interior* had their first meeting on Wednesday (?) last.

Sun., June 13. There has been and still is considerable sickness in town, many being troubled with the summer complaint or dysentery, and some having been seriously ill with it. The majority of the infants have been attacked by it, but hitherto all have recovered. (One child has died in Winston.)

Sun., June 20. A clear, warm day. Br. Grunert officiated at 10 A.M. in the large church and Br. O. in the African church. In the former there was a [blank] audience. In the latter, better than had been the case for some time, owing to the dissatisfaction of this portion of the congregation with the quiet character of our meetings, and their not being allowed to hold such as they would like for themselves. A number have therefore been attending the Methodist church at Winston (perhaps some have even joined it or expressed a desire to do so), while others have been attending meetings held at a stand which they have erected about 1½ miles from town, where a missionary of the *African* M.E. church has been holding forth and trying to gather a congregation. The great idea with many seems to be to have a preacher of their own color, but *some* seem to be returning to their senses, owing to the representations of Br. E. A. Vogler especially, who has a meeting for them in the church this evening.

Tues., Aug. 3. This morning at about 6½ o'clock Br. Bahnson and Br. Rights arrived by stage from High Point, having left Baltimore (where they landed last Saturday) yesterday morning. They had a rough passage of 16 days in the steamer *Ohio*, and are the first brn. who have returned from the Synod.

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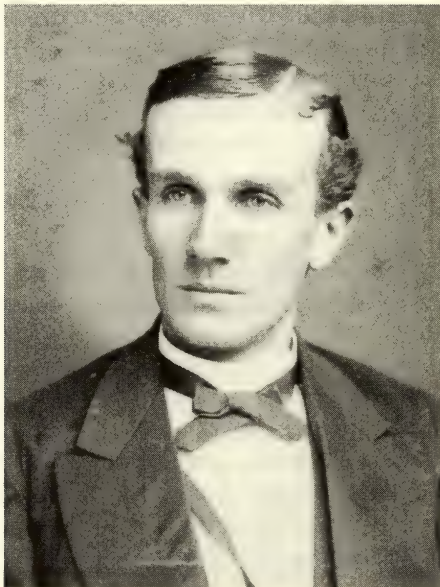
Wed., Aug. 11. Bro. Bahnson kept the meeting, relating one thing and another having reference to our church constitution and the late Synod.

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Mon., Aug. 16. A concert was given in the church this evening by Professors M. Warner, Th. Wolle, Edw. Lineback, and [blank] Snyder (from Greensboro). The music was most excellent; \$125 were received for benefit of church repairs. Admission 50 cents.



Salem physicians: They attended school at Nazareth Hall together, served in the Civil War together, studied medicine in Philadelphia and Europe together. Now in 1869, Henry T. Bahnson (above) and Nathaniel S. Siewers returned home to Salem to open practices that would extend to the 20th century.



Tues., Aug. 17. Some visitors from Bethlehem and Sr. Schweinitz with her little son Emile left for Bethlehem. The heat this week is greater than ever.

Sun., Aug. 22. Br. Bahnson kept the Litany and preaching at 10 A.M. (his last sermon). He spoke on Luke 10:36-37.

Sat., Aug. 28. The Committee on internal improvement of the church had a meeting this P.M.

Sun., Aug. 29. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. Bahnson kept the evening service, speaking on the texts of the day (his last address to the congregation). At 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ Br. B. kept the Holy Communion for the single brn. (his last service).

Tues., Aug. 31. Br. Oerter kept the usual meeting for the married people, who will celebrate their festival next Sunday. Br. B. was not able to attend to it. His health has not been good since his return, although better than it was in Europe, where he suffered much from a disorder which had troubled him for some time already, and was thought to be asthma.

Sat., Sept 4. Br. Bahnson is no better. The physicians have forbidden his keeping any meetings for the present.

Mon., Sept. 6. Br. Bahnson is worse. Breathing is sometimes very painful and difficult, and he can scarcely speak above a whisper.

Tues., Sept. 7. The Ladies Aid Society had advertised a fair, but have postponed it on account of Br. Bahnson's illness.

Fri., Sept. 10. Br. Bahnson is not expected to recover! The physicians in town have all been attending him, but can do nothing for him. They have pronounced his case a disease of the heart.

Sat., Sept. 11. At 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock this evening, Br. O. was called over to give the last blessing to Br. Bahnson. Br. Grunert accompanied him to the house, where we found a number of friends. The weeping family having gathered around the bed of our departing brother, we joined in prayer, and Br. O. imparted the last blessing. But a few moments after, the soul of our brother passed gently away into the presence of that Lord whom he had served here.

Mon., Sept. 13. At 5 P.M. was the funeral of our departed Bro. Bahnson. The church was well filled, even the aisles being occupied.

How inscrutable are the ways of Him who has thus removed from the service of his church in this Province one of our number, already insufficient to supply every place, and

that one occupying the highest and most important position here! And yet we must believe that "He never yet mistakes hath made," and that in this case also he has done that which will work together with all other things for good to them that love him.

Thurs., Sept. 30. This A.M. Br. Emil de Schweinitz arrived. A large Sunday School meeting was held in the square. The Forsyth County Sunday School Union having been revived some time ago (mainly through the exertions of Br. E. A. Vogler), about 16 schools were present, numbering some 1,500 children. The scene was a very animated and pleasant one, as they came marching in with their banners while a band of wind and stringed instruments performed various S. Sch. pieces. The exercises in the morning consisted of prayer, addresses and singing. In the P.M. a lovefeast also was served to the children, and a torchlight meeting was held at night. A large number of persons were present from the town and country, who all seemed to enjoy the celebration exceedingly, and there is no doubt that good impressions were made on young and old, and a fresh impetus given to the S. Sch. cause in this county.

Thurs., Oct. 7. The "Ministers Conference" was held at Br. Schweinitz's, the first since the brn. left for Europe. They will now be held regularly as aforetime. The cornice of the Academy is receiving a new coat of paint, a work not unattended with danger, as the painters sit on ladders suspended from the roof.

Fri., Oct. 8. This P.M. about 4 o'clock the roof of the kitchen at the Academy was discovered to be on fire, fortunately in time to prevent any serious damage.

Wed., Oct. 20. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. The State Fair is held this week at Raleigh. A number of the brn. and others have gone from this place.

Sun., Oct. 31. Clear and cold. Fire in the church for the first time.

Sun., Nov. 7. About 7 A.M. it *snowed* furiously for a short time.

Sun., Nov. 21. A very good audience assembled at 10 A.M. Br. Albea, the M.E. minister at Winston, was present, and quite a number of Winston friends.

Fri., Dec. 10. The Ladies Aid Society held a fair in the evening in the Boys' School House. It was numerously attended,

and the proceeds amounted to \$[blank]. Besides articles made here, various things from Herrnhut and some curiosities from Labrador (or Greenland) and others from Palestine, were sold. They had been sent from Europe by Sr. Addie Hermann, who is there on a visit.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1869

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sun., Jan. 17. A few more present at preaching than last Sunday. I used the melodeon (which had been repaired), and they seemed much pleased.

Sun., Jan. 31. Preaching, etc. More present than usual. At 4 o'clock had the Holy Communion. Only 14 present. Some are very careless indeed.

Sun., Mar. 21. Palm Sunday. At 7 P.M. commenced reading the "Acts of the Last Days, etc.," a good audience present.

(Continued the reading on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, also on Friday afternoon, to pretty good audiences.)

Sun., Mar. 28. Easter day. At 9 o'clock read the Litany before the church, which was very full during the sermon. At 2 P.M. kept the Holy Communion (20 present in all, 4 strangers).

Sun., Apr. 11. Found no one at the church but the sexton. After the second bell, Alex (Vogler) came. We talked about the congregation until after 11 o'clock. Some are not satisfied with our quiet ways, want more lively meetings in which they can "rejoice" without restraint, and as they know I am opposed to noisy meetings and do not like to have them in the church, they seem disposed to go elsewhere.

Salem Congregation Council, 1869

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Apr. 21 [12].

The female portion of the Cong. having during the past winter exerted themselves in efforts to collect funds for the internal improvement of our Church building, but no definite plan or idea having been proposed, after discussion it was moved and carried that a meeting of the Communicant

Members¹ of the Congregation be called at an early day to ascertain if possible what improvements or changes were contemplated, said meeting to appoint a committee to take the matter into consideration, to devise plans, etc.

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1869
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Feb. 15.

2. Br. Edw. Lineback having resigned his position as one of the organists, the Board resolved that Br. Alex. Minung should be informed that we hesitate to give the entire charge of the church music to him, and that a more equitable division of the salary between him and Br. L. be suggested.

A meeting of the Communicant Members was held on Wed., Apr. 21st. The Chairman (Br. Bahnson) first referred to the matter of Church discipline, explaining that the Board of Elders could only act if properly supported by the Congregation.

The subject of changes in the interior of the church building having been taken up, according to a motion which prevailed, the Chair appointed the Brn. E. A. Vogler, Jas. Lineback, J. G. Sides, J. D. Siewers, and John Fries a Committee to examine into the matter, and report to some subsequent meeting. On motion Br. M. E. Grunert was added to the Committee.

After this meeting had adjourned, the Cong. Council met to elect a member of the Board of Elders in place of Br. E. A. Vogler, whose term had expired, but who, having been re-elected by a meeting of the Council held Mon., Apr. 12th, had declined serving again on account of the state of his health. Br. Edw. W. Lineback was elected.

Thurs., May 6.

Br. E. W. Leinbach, being present as a new member, was welcomed to a seat in the Board. . . .

1. Board could not grant the use of the church to the Forsyth Lit. Socy. for one of their exhibitions, as it would be establishing a bad precedent.

¹A "meeting of the Communicant Members" included Sisters. Otherwise, until 1922, Congregation Council consisted only of Brethren.

2. The African cong. wished to have more *lively* meetings than we hold for them, and a number speak of joining the Methodist church at Winston, if their wishes are not complied with. The Board can only repeat the permission to have prayer meetings in the church, provided some responsible person is present.

Sun., Sept. 12.

At an informal meeting of the Board this A.M., it was resolved that the regular services of the day should be omitted, as the Pastor of the cong., Br. George F. Bahnson, was called to his eternal rest last evening at 9:15 P.M. An appropriate service will be held in place of the preaching at 10 A.M.

Sat., Oct. 9.

A circular from P.E.C. was communicated to the Board, announcing that a Prov. Synod would meet on the 8th prox. to fill the vacancy in P.E.C. occasioned by the departure of Br. Bahnson, as well as to consider the question of Union with the Northern Province.

Br. Edw. Rondthaler, pastor of the cong. at Brooklyn, N.Y., having asked for aid towards the rebuilding of their church, which had been burnt, Board resolved that a collection be taken up for that object on Sunday, 24th inst.

Tues., Nov. 2.

2. The festival of Nov. 13th will be celebrated on Sunday, 14th. A collection will be taken up on that day for the Moravian College and Theological Seminary at Bethlehem, Pa., in compliance with a request from the President of College and Seminary.

Tues., Dec. 14.

2. The colored bro. Alex. (Vogler) (Gates) has applied to P.E.C. for a kind of license to preach and keep meetings, as he has the opportunity of doing at various places. This Board has nothing to say in the matter, except in so far as the African church building is concerned. P.E.C. must be informed of the existing regulations (see previous minutes).

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1869
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Wed., Jan. 13. Not present the Brn. Edwd. Blum and Aug. F. Pfohl.

3. The attention of the Board was directed to the circumstance that thus far Diacony had paid compound interest on the Salem Poorfund, of which according to its constitution the Warden is the Treasurer. This Fund having in the course of years now increased to upwards of \$3,000, it becomes a matter of importance to put an end to this procedure.

The subject was spoken of in the last meeting of the Poorfund Society, and if, as is maintained by some members of the Board of Trustees, the resolution has been passed by the members of that Society that the fund should not be increased above \$3,000, no further action will be necessary on the part of this Board. An attempt will be made to induce the Poorfund Society to pay the rent of such persons in the Widows House as, not able to do so themselves, are living here at the cost of the Diacony.

4. A conversation was next entered into regarding the Congregation Boys' School, which has been discontinued for some time already for want of a suitable teacher. The wish was expressed that it might soon come into operation again.

Thurs., Feb. 4. Not present Br. Chs. Hauser.

[T]he motion was made and unanimously adopted that Board is not willing to pay interest on more than \$3,000 of the Salem Poorfund, and that consequently all credits above that amount be no more added to the principal, but be held subject to the order of the Poorfund Society.

2. Mr. Wm. Henry Wheeler applies for 4 or 5 acres of land lying S.E. of the former Shuman plantation and adjoining lands of Adam Butner and Harrison Reed, for the purpose of making brick, and proposes either to buy or to rent, with the understanding that in case lands should be sold in that neighbourhood hereafter, he pay the price then asked for land of that quality. Board being under the impression that the establishing and carrying on of a brick yard in our neighbourhood might prove a public benefit or convenience, and the quality of the land not being very desirable for cultivation, it was resolved to rent or lease him the required quantity for the express

purpose of making brick on it, for the term of three years; he is to pay us as a rent 25 cents for each thousand brick made, without being required to fill the brick holes. It will be necessary to make a written contract with him.

3. Mr. Robert Grey wishes to buy a town lot in Winston near the Academy. Board adheres to the resolution formed some time since [Mar. 10, 1868, §1] of not selling any lots, and consequently can not grant the request of the applicant.

4. Diacony owing at this time \$360 to Br. Wm. Ferdinand Bechler (now missionary in South Africa) for 4 years interest on his note, which amount could not be settled as heretofore thro' the "Unities Expedition" at Herrnhut, they declining transactions of that kind on account of the heavy premiums demanded for gold, Board sanctioned the proposition to offer Br. Bechler our note for \$360 at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ as being under existing circumstances the most advantageous manner, with the expectation of being able to pay on more reasonable terms some years hence.

5. North Carolina State Bonds having for some time already gradually declined in value, selling now, according to the latest quotations, at $62\frac{1}{2}$ cents in the dollar for old bonds and new bonds for still less, and there being every prospect of a further decline before long, as a large amount of new Rail Road bonds, sanctioned by the present policy of the state legislature, will soon come into market, and the State having thus far failed to pay the coupons due on Jan. 1st of this year, with no assurance that other coupons will be cashed at maturity, Board resolved to sell the 6 old and 1 new North Carolina State Bonds belonging to the Diacony, for which purpose they will be sent to New York.

Tues., Mar. 2. All the members present.

3. The sale of the N. Carol. State bonds has now been effected at 62 and $62\frac{1}{2}$ for old and $59\frac{1}{4}$ for new bonds realizing \$4,173.32 after deducting cost. In what manner safely and profitably to invest this amount, formed the subject of serious consideration for the Board. Without coming to a decision on the subject it was resolved to postpone the matter for further deliberation at a meeting to be called in the course of next week.

Fri., Mar. 5. Not present Br. Charles Hauser.

2. Board resolved to invest the money received from the sale of N.C. bonds in United States coupon bonds, which altho' at a premium at this time are supposed to be perfectly safe.

Wed., Apr. 14. Not present Br. Aug. F. Pfohl.

1. The purchase of United States coupon bonds has now been effected at \$114 for \$100 with interest from Jan. 1, 1869, Diacony receiving for her [its] share 3 bonds at a cost, expenses added, of \$3,423.79, leaving \$749.53 of the \$4,173.32 received for N.C. bonds uninvested, which balance goes to her [its] credit with Wachovia Sustentation.

3. The President of the North Western North Carolina Rail Road having lately called upon the Warden for the purpose of procuring a deed for the right of way of said road over the lands of the Diacony, the matter was laid before the Board, but in as much as neither the line of the road over our land nor the locality of the depot to be erected has yet been decided upon, Board is not enabled to give any other answer than that contained in the resolution found in the minutes of its meeting of May 5, 1868, §2, which see.

Mon., May 24. Full Board.

Congregation Council having on April 21 [Apr. 12] re-elected the Brnn. Edwd. Blum and Aug. F. Pfohl, whose term of service expired on the first Tuesday of this month, Board organized by electing S. Thos. Pfohl as President and Secretary.

2. Br. Henry Washington Shore having within a few days received the appointment as Postmaster at this place, and the former incumbent Dr. Aug. T. Zevely refusing to vacate the locality arranged for the express use of the Postmaster, under the plea that in law he has the right of retaining possession till his rent year expires, Board . . . requested Br. James Leinbach . . . to induce him peaceably to vacate the locality.

Tues., May 25. Full Board.

As according to agreement Dr. Zevely should occupy the locality only so long as he remains Postmaster and for the reasons above stated, Board resolved to request him to vacate within one week after Br. Shore shall have received his commission as Postmaster, and in the meantime to put up that

part of the partition taken down by him between the former entry and the Post Office room.

Thurs., May 27. Full Board.

The resolution contained in the last minutes has been communicated to Dr. Zevely, who, however, is not inclined to agree to it. Certain plans for disposing of his house and procuring another locality having now failed, thus rendering it very probable that he would not be able to remove his drugstore as soon as at first expected, he again renews the propositions contained in last minutes.

Board still adheres to the original idea of retaining that locality for Post Office purposes, as intended from the beginning, and is not inclined to put the Postmaster to any inconvenience in the transaction of his business by limiting his room too much, but in as far as the case has now assumed a more permanent aspect than it had in the beginning, Board, in order to make an end of a disagreeable matter that threatens, if carried to extremes by either party, seriously to endanger the peace of the whole community and especially of our church, is willing to make an arrangement by which Dr. Zevely can retain part of the locality now occupied by him as a drugstore, and consequently proposes to keep the P.O. in the same condition as formerly, i.e., the Postmaster to have the exclusive use of the P.O. room and the entry in front of the letter boxes, and then to rent the other part of the locality (after being entirely separated from the P.O. part by the restoration of the partition to the left-hand side of the entrance door as formerly existing) to Dr. Zevely for his use during his term of rent, and making for him a separate entrance from the street and such other arrangements as may be found necessary, for which locality he is then to pay such rent as may be determined upon by the parties, thus cancelling the old agreement and entering upon an entirely new contract with him.

Having arrived at this conclusion Board called both the Brnn. interested before them, and after having explained the matter, Br. Shore, the incoming P.M., gave his consent to the plan as far as he is interested, and Br. Zevely on his part declared himself ready, as he could not obtain the locality as he would have desired it, to accept what was now offered to him.

The Brnn. S. T. Pfohl, Siewers, and Sides were appointed a Committee to closely inspect the locality and to make the

necessary arrangements for carrying out the plan now adopted by all parties.

Tues., June 22. Full Board.

1. The alterations in the Post Office Building spoken of in the last meeting having been carried out, Br. Shore has taken possession of the P.O. part and Dr. Zevely of the remaining portion of the lower story and the cellar, on the 1st day of this month. In order to complete the arrangement it was now resolved that the rent for the Post Office be fixed at \$30 and that of Dr. Zevely (the cellar included) at \$60 a year, and that a written agreement be entered into specifying that Dr. Zevely's rent runs from year to year, as long as both parties please, and that upon leaving the premises he be at liberty to remove the shelving, counter and other appurtenances to him belonging, including also the show window in front of the house.

Br. Shore's agreement must limit his occupancy to the time of his remaining P.M. or his keeping the P.O. in that locality.

3. The question of the right of way over the lands of Salem Diacony for the N. Western N.C. Rail Road coming up again, Board after some further conversation on the subject unanimously passed the following resolution, viz.:

"Resolved that we grant the right of way to the North Western North Carolina Rail Road Co. free of charge over such parts of the Salem Diacony lands as are still in an unimproved condition, leaving it to the occupants of such pieces of land as have been rented or leased to private individuals to decide the question of compensation for damages with the Company, in case the road should run across their improvements." Br. E. A. Schweinitz, the Proprietor of the Salem Diacony land, being absent in Europe, the required deed can not be made out immediately, and it was consequently resolved that a copy of the foregoing resolution be handed to the President of the Co., giving him the assurance that the deed should be made out as soon as practicable.

Tues., July 20. Not present Br. Charles Hauser.

2. Dr. F. Schaffner having paid part of the principal of his note, an attempt will be made to lend it to Mr. Israel G. Lash if he will take it at 6 percent, or failing to do so to deposit it at that rate in the First National Bank of Salem.

Thurs., Aug. 19. Not present Br. Edwd. Blum.

1. The Rev. W. W. Albea, being desirous of making Winston his permanent residence, applies for a town lot on which to build a house for himself and family without specifying particularly the precise locality that he would desire. Altho' Board has for some time already refused to entertain applications of this kind, it nevertheless is not inclined to persist in the resolution formed March 10, 1868 (§1), of discontinuing the sale of lots altogether, when there is a desire to build on the lot and not merely to occupy it for cultivation. For this reason the application of Mr. Albea is favourably entertained, but before further proceedings can be had, it will become necessary to know what locality he would desire to procure.

3. Without minutely examining the yearly accounts of Salem Diacony from May 1, 1868, to Apr. 30, 1869, Board (it being late already) resolved that the gain of \$533.21 appearing on them be applied towards covering the expenses of the new Church roof, etc., and as there is remaining a balance on the North Carol. State bond account of \$2,074.18 after the bonds have been sold, it was further resolved to strike off this balance thro' Stock Account.

Tues., Sept. 14. Br. John D. Siewers absent (on a journey).

1. Mr. W. W. Albea having made choice of the 3rd lot above Fourth Street on the Old Town Road, Board is willing to sell it to him at the rate of \$7.50 per 1,000 square feet.

The street running along the western line of the Winston tract of land (now the Old Town Road [present-day Trade Street]) having originally been laid out only 30 ft. wide, Board resolved that from 4th Street to the north line of Winston 20 feet more be added from our land, thereby making it 50 ft. wide. As this would leave only about 110 ft. of depth for the lots between Old Town Road and Elm Street, which in the opinion of the Board would be too little, it is further proposed not to continue Elm Street beyond 4th Street. The distance from the Old Town Road to Cherry Street being about 333 ft. if divided equally would give a depth of 166 ft. to lots laid out on the west side of Old Town Road and on the east side of Cherry Street.

3. The yearly accounts of Salem Single Sisters' Diacony this time closing with an excess of receipts of \$40.62, it was resolved to apply this amount towards liquidating some items

appearing among the assets that are either worthless or of doubtful character.

4. In connection with the yearly accounts in general, it was remarked that it would be very desirable if the income of Salem Diacony could be increased, especially in view of a not inconsiderable amount of repairs to buildings that are absolutely necessary for their preservation, as also repairs of pavements at lots belonging to the Diacony.

Sat., Oct. 2. Not present Br. J. D. Siewers (on a journey) and Br. C. Hauser.

2. Mr. W. W. Albea, having since the last meeting of the Board changed his mind with regard to a lot in Winston (see §1 of last minutes), now applies for the lot [#114] situated at the N.W. corner of Cherry and Fourth Streets. Board is willing to sell it to him at the rate of \$7.50 per 1,000 sq. feet. The size of the lot to be 100 ft. on Cherry Street and 200 ft. on Fourth Street.

Tues., Oct. 19. Not present Br. James Leinbach (on a journey).

2. Board further resolved on laying out streets in Winston to let the corporation of that town have the trees standing in the line of the streets, in consideration of the expenses they will have to incur in clearing them.

Mon., Dec. 13. Not present Br. Edward Blum.

1. The lot [#115] in Winston which Mr. G. W. Hinshaw desires to purchase being located on the ground covered by the former Plank Road, a difficulty has now arisen with regard to the title of that ground, some of the owners of said Plank Road maintaining that the right of way for the road having been granted, they could consequently also sell the ground in case they saw proper to do so. No title having ever been given or deed made by the Diacony to the Plank Road Co., but merely permission granted to pass over our lands with the road (see minutes of Committee, Jan. 26, 1852, §8), we are not willing to admit their claim, and in order to come to an amicable understanding on the point, and at once to obviate all difficulties for the future, as far as the lands of the Diacony are concerned over which the road passed formerly, it was resolved to refer the case to the decision of two or more disinterested persons.

2. Application having been made by the President of the North Western North Carolina Rail Road Co. for an additional piece of ground between 1st and 2nd Street in Winston for the purpose of erecting the Rail Road depot and other requisite buildings on the same, and Board having understood that it would be satisfactory if said piece of ground would run 50 feet from the center of the R.R. westwardly along 2nd Street, thence southwardly parallel with the Winston Streets to 1st Street and then again eastwardly along 1st Street to the center of the R.R., it was resolved that a piece of ground thus bounded should be given gratis to the Co. for the purposes mentioned. It was further resolved that along the west side of this piece of ground a street of 50 feet wide be laid out for convenient access to the depot lot, and that the Co. be offered the timber standing on this street, if they take the trees out by the root.

Mon., Dec. 20. Not present Br. James Leinbach.

1. The President of the N.W.N.C.R.R. Co. has since last meeting stated that in his opinion the depot lot as granted by the Board would be too small for convenient arrangement of the different buildings, and 50 ft. also too narrow for a street in front of the lot. He consequently now asks that 100 ft. (and not 50, see last minutes) from the center of the road westwardly on 2nd Street be taken as the point from which the line southwardly and parallel to the Winston Street be run, thus adding a strip of 50 ft. wide on the west side of the lot and running the entire distance from 2nd to 1st Streets. For the street he asks for 25 ft. more so as to give it a width of 75 feet. Board upon this representation added the 50 feet additional to the depot lot granted last time and 10 feet additional to the street, thus making the latter 60 ft. wide.

Provincial Financial Board, 1869
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Fri., Feb. 5. Brn. L. Rights and E. A. Vogler absent.

3. It was proposed that the old N.C. State Bonds belonging to Wa. Sustent. Diacy. should be sold without further delay, as well as the new Bond issued in payment of coupons. Board unanimously agreed to this proposition and instructed the

Treasurer to sell as soon as possible. There are 8 Old Bonds of the face value of \$1,000 each and one new of face value \$1,000 and one of \$500.

Fri., Mar. 5. Br. L. Rights absent.

2. Treasurer reported that all the N.C. State Bonds had been sold and had realized, clear of all expenses, the sum of \$5,588.80. On motion Board unanimously resolved that U.S. Securities, 5/20s, be bought with the proceeds of the sale of N.C. State Bonds.

3. The proceeds of the sale of one N.C. State Bond belonging to Salem Home Mission Society may be invested with Wa. Sust. Diacy. at 6%.

Mon., Apr. 5. Br. Rights absent.

2. The Treasurer of Friedberg Congr. has reported to P.E.C. that said congregation inclusive of Macedonia only actually contributed for 1868 \$377.37 towards the support of their minister, leaving a balance of \$72.63 unpaid, to make up the \$450. Board after discussing the matter referred it back to the Friedberg congr. in the hope that, after the statements made on floor of the Synod by the delegates from said congr., the whole amount would yet be made up by the congr. Board furthermore urge punctuality in the settlement of the matters on the Treasurer and Committee.

3. The subscription for 1869 from Bethania towards the support of their minister is \$214, from Bethabara \$50, total amount \$264, leaving a balance of \$186 which the Sustent. Diacy. will have to provide for.

4. During the absence of the P.E.C. the 3 remaining members of the Board will continue to attend to all current business.

Tues., Nov. 2. All present.

1. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz was appointed Chairman of the Board, the chair being made vacant by the departure of Br. G. F. Bahnson.

3. Br. S. Thom. Pfohl, the Treasurer, reported that the 3 remaining members of the Board at a meeting on May 10, 1869, had resolved to invest the balance of Holt's note paid in amounting to \$1,618.40, and a balance in hands of Jordan & Bros. of Phila. amounting to \$156.60, totaling \$1,775 with Pa. Sustentation Diacony at 6%.

4. On motion, it was resolved that the sum of \$72.63, a balance remaining unpaid of the \$450 subscribed by Friedberg congregation for the support of its minister for 1868, should be paid to Br. P. R. Lineback by Treasr. Wa. S.D. and this whole matter be bro't before the Prov. Synod.

5. The subscription list of Friedland, Kernersville, Hope, and Philadelphia congregations for the support of the minister for the year 1869 shows that Friedland subscribed \$50, Kernersville \$19.50, Hope for a part of the year \$9, and Philadelphia \$25, in all \$103.50.

6. The Treasurer of Wa. S.D. submitted the annual accounts from June 1, 1868, to May 31, 1869. Inclusive of contribution, the surplus was \$1,455.79, which Board resolved should be used for the reduction of the N.C. State Bonds account. The statement of assets and liabilities contains a number of lost and doubtful assets from which the books must gradually be cleared. It was likewise resolved to apply the balance of the Horse account for the cancellation of the Hendrix note and N.C. State Bonds. Board was not willing to accept the offer of Alex. Hege, Security of J. M. Leach, to pay 20 cents on the dollar without further inquiry. Treasurer was directed to buy a \$1,000 Bond either of the City of Phila. or State of Pa. with the funds in hand.

8. Sr. Cooper, wife of Br. Henry Cooper, will hereafter receive the pension of a widow only, as Br. Cooper is in the asylum at Raleigh.

Fri., Nov. 12. Brn. Rights, and Vogler absent.

Br. Edward Lineback, the member of the Board recently elected by the Provincial Synod, was present.

1. Board resolved that at Messrs. Jordan & Bros.' recommendation, a Bond of State of Pa. 2d series should be bought by the Treas.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1869

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Tues., Jan. 12. Thus far January has been remarkable mild.

Mon.-Sat., Jan. 18-23. ([Margin note:] Prayer week at Bethania.)

Mon., Jan. 25. ([Margin note:] Prayer week at Bethabara.)

Sat., Jan. 30. Finished the prayer week at Bethabara. This makes 14 evenings in succession that I have kept meetings.

Sun., Mar. 7. Preaching at Bethania in the forenoon. On account of the sick headache I did not go to Bethabara. A cold day.

Sun., Mar. 21. Palm Sunday. [A]t night commenced reading the Acts of the Days of the Son of Man. Brother Edgar Leinbach will keep the evening meetings at Bethabara during the week, and brother Grunert promised to be there on Friday [to hold communion].

Mon., Apr. 5. A cold morning. It is feared all the peaches are killed by the frost. We will see.

Thurs., Apr. 8. Planting potatoes. Today the weather is warm and smokey and looks as if we would have a dry spell.

Tues., Apr. 13. About 8 o'clock it began to snow and snowed very fast till noon when it cleared away. This was the most snow we have had this winter.

Wed.-Fri., Apr. 14-16. Heavy frosts and cold winds, late spring. Planted corn. The fruit is probably all killed.

Sat., Apr. 17. ([Bethania Report:] Edgar I. Leinbach has changed his membership from Bethania to Bethabara. Samuel Fogle, a member at Mt. Tabor, has changed his membership to Bethabara.)

Sun., Apr. 18. In the afternoon preached my farewell sermon for the present at Bethabara. There were a great many persons there.

Thurs., Apr. 22. Went to Salem to a Conference Lovefeast, as the brethren Bahnson, E. A. de Schweinitz and Lewis Rights on next Wednesday 28th inst. [leave] for the Synod in Germany.

Sat., Apr. 24. In the afternoon I preached for the [last] time until my return at Spanish Grove. . . .

Sun., Apr. 25. Preached my farewell sermon [at Bethania] from 2 Peter 1:10-11. In the afternoon there was lovefeast and Communion, at night prayer meeting. The day was fine and there was a large congregation.

Wed., Apr. 28. This morning I leave Bethania for Herrnhut in Saxony and shall be absent at the General Synod several months.

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Tues., Aug. 3. This morning at 6 o'clock I arrived at Salem by stage from High Point and brother Thomas Pfohl brought me

to Bethania, where we arrived at 12 o'clock after an absence of three months and six days. The Brethren Grunert and Oerter have attended every two weeks during my absence and also at Bethabara, and brother Grunert's diary of their labors is inserted here.

[The handwriting, however, remains Br. Rights's.]

Sun., May 2. Ascension day. Brother Grunert preached from Luke 24:10. The high water kept the people from the country from coming to town. In the afternoon he preached at Bethabara to an attentive congregation and gave out a prayer meeting at night.

Sat., May 8. Wiley Shouse's daughter was buried at Old Town and the funeral was preached by Albea at Winston.

Sun., May 16. Spoke with the [Bethabara] brethren about burying Shouse daughter on the Graveyard.

Sun., May 30. Litany and preaching at Bethania from Luke 16:1-4. A good congregation considering the heat. In the afternoon preaching at Bethabara on Ps. 13:4. Quite a good congregation, singing more loud than harmonious.

Sun., June 13. Congregation feast at Bethania. Brother Grunert preached at 10 A.M. from Ps. 122:6-7. In the afternoon Lovefeast and Communion. The attendance was good. Still a number were prevented from being present on account of sickness. The people evidently enjoyed the day. Sr. Grunert was present, and as it proved for the last time.

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Tues., Aug. 3. Brother Rights came home from Europe.

Wed., Sept. 8. Went to Salem to see Brother Bahnson. Did not get to see him. He is thought to be dying.

Fri., Sept. 10. Started in company with my wife for Mt. Bethel and went as far as Mt. Airy and staid overnight at the widow Banner's.

Sun., Sept. 12. Went to the Church [at] Mt. Bethel. Found the Brethren Henry Fogle, Edgar Leinbach and Brother Grunert were there encamped with their wagon. They had been to Wythville and were on their way home thus far. I preached to a good congregation and brother Edgar Leinback exhorted. At night I preached again. The house was full. Today Bishop

Bahnson died. ([Bethania Report:] Brother H. Fogle remarked these people seemed like sheep without a shepherd. Some of them wanted me to keep on for several days, and they thought several could be got to join the Church, but I told them what was the use. Unless *somebody* would care for them *afterwards* it was just labor thrown away. It is an important question: *What shall be done with Mt. Bethel?*)

Mon., Sept. 13. Bishop Bahnson was buried at 5 o'clock P.M. I and my wife left Brother John Scott's and went up the "Fancy Gap" by Mr. Mitchell's and Morris's to John Smith's at the top of the mountain. It used to be the Reuben Branscom place. Here we staid overnight. It is sixteen years since I last travelled the road.

Tues., Sept. 14. Left Mr. Smith's and travelled on top of the mountain by Mr. Hank's at "Piper's Gap," where we came down the mountain to Mr. Frank Miller's, where we staid overnight. ([Bethania Report:] When I passed the Hawk's Cove neighborhood my mind reverted to the past, when Brother Zevely first made his appearance in these parts, and the changes that have taken place since then. Last night I staid within a mile of the place where I tried to preach my first sermon. It was under the door of John Dean's house in the spring of 1844. He is still living, but his neighbors are nearly all dead or moved away, and strangers occupy their places.)

Sat., Sept. 18. Left Brother [Edward] Butner's for home, where we arrived at 1 o'clock P.M. Found all well, and went to Bethabara and preached at night.

Thurs., Sept. 30. Sunday School anniversary at Salem. A great many persons were there, and sixteen schools were represented. The speakers: Rev. Samuel Rothrock, Lutheran; Ira T. Wyche, Methodist; Mr. Tomlinson, Quaker; Joseph Crews, Methodist; Parmenio Leinback and Lewis Rights, Moravian; and Alba, Methodist. The singing was excellent.

([Bethania Report:] *Mon., Oct. 25.* Went to Kernersville, where I preached at 3 P.M. and again at night. Brother Friebele had preached at 11 o'clock.)

([Bethania Report:] *Wed., Oct. 27.* At night I preached again at Kernersville to a good congregation, and by request of the Committee gave out that the Congregation feast would be celebrated on Wednesday, the 17th of November. I hesitated to give it out in Brother Friebele's absence, as he is the person that ought to do it, but was told that his next regular

appointment would be after the time, and the Committee promised to pay the damage if any, and so I gave it out, and closed the protracted meeting at Kernersville.)

[[Bethania Report:] *Thurs., Oct. 28.* Left Kernersville for home.)

Mon., Nov. 8. Commencement of the Provincial Synod at Salem.

Wed., Nov. 10. The Provincial Synod closed its sittings today at noon. Brother S. Thos. Pfohl was elected into the P.E.C. in Brother Bahnson's place, and Brother Edward Leinbach was elected a member of the Financial Board in Brother Pfohl's place. The question of uniting the two Districts was postponed until the next regular Provincial Synod, to convene in 1871.

Wed., Nov. 17. Attended the Kernersville Congregation feast. Brother Emil de Schweinitz was present and preached at 11 o'clock, and in the afternoon I kept the Lovefeast and Brother Schweinitz kept the communion. I left for home at 4 o'clock and got to Bethania at 11 o'clock in the night.

Tues., Dec. 14. Sister Rights, who has been spending several weeks at the North, came back today. She left New York City on Sunday night at 1/2 past nine o'clock and arrived at Salem at 6 o'clock this morning.

Friedberg Diary, with Macedonia, 1869

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of R. Parmenio Leinbach.]

Fri., Jan. 1. There was a large congregation here today, and very attentive during sermon. I certainly have no cause for complaint as to the size of the congregations that worship here. After preaching, the subject of the minister's support was discussed. It was proposed to divide the amount by dividing the congregation into classes, each class consisting of 5-6-7-8 persons, each class to contribute \$100. However, it does not seem to meet with acceptance. There was about \$120 subscribed. After dinner I drew up the account of my receipts from Friedberg and Macedonia, and found it to amount to \$300.00.

Sun., Jan. 10. After dinner preached at Pleasant Fork. They are building a new church up there.

Mon., Jan. 11. Busy all the morning covering a chimney board with old tin, etc., to prevent its burning.

Wed., Jan. 13. About 50 brn. here sawing wood with horse power. They sawed all day, and did not finish while I was here.

Mon., Jan. 18. I have been troubled so much by the smoking qualities of the fireplaces in the house that I was driven to the necessity of devising a way to remedy the defect, and have studied out a plan which I think will answer the purpose. I have had Br. N. Mock at work today, straightening the arch of the Committee Room fireplace. Tomorrow I shall try the success of the experiment.

Tues., Jan. 19. My expedient proves a complete success, and I do not apprehend any more trouble from that fireplace. I shall [have] the same work done at the fireplace down in the bedroom.

Thurs., Jan. 28. Br. Emil de Schweinitz and B. [John] G. Seides here surveying. We exchanged the meadow for four acres of Br. Traug. Spach's land.

Sun., Feb. 7. Went to Davie. . . . After service Committee meeting. Br. Daniel Potts, who had been preaching for Prot. Methodists, expressed a desire to preach at Macedonia with a view of connecting himself there. Permission was given him to do so.

Wed., Feb. 17. At Mr. C. Pickle's, trying to settle difficulty between him and Mr. Sam. Spach's. Failed to accomplish anything.

Sun., Mar. 14. Dedication of the new church at Pleasant Fork. I preached the dedicatory sermon from Isa. 56:7. The afternoon service consisted in impromptu little addresses intermingled with prayers offered up by different individuals. Br. E. A. Vogler was one of the principal leaders. 'Twas a very pleasant time.

Sun., Mar. 21. Commenced reading Acts of Son of Man. I am not at all pleased with these Reading meetings in the evening. They are almost wholly attended by the young people who come purely from wrong motives. I am going to restore the old order of things, viz.: Have the Reading Sunday mornings.

Sun., Mar. 29 [28]. Easter Sunday. An immense crowd gathered here as usual. The graveyard was in excellent condition, and the procession moved on in very good order.

Wed., Mar. 31. Took Sr. Clauder, who was here on a visit, up to Sr. Phoebe [Philippina] Padget's. She and Sr. Clauder had

been schoolmates and playfellows together in childhood years. The meeting was pleasant and cordial. Whilst they were up there, I was at home hauling manure into my potato patch.

Thurs., Apr. 22. Partook of a farewell vesper with the Brn. who were going to Europe to attend the Synod.

Mon., Apr. 26. Went to Salem to see my former Nazareth Hall colleague, Br. Herman Brickenstein.

Fri., May 21. Started to the mountains. Remained all night at my cousin's, about 18 miles above Salem.

Sat., May 22. Went to Mt. Airy. Yesterday was very warm. Today as I approached Mt. Airy, a storm blew up, and it became very cold, and I was glad to put on my overcoat.

Sun., May 23. Went to Mt. Bethel and preached from Rev. 3:20 to a large congregation. At night preached again. Remained all night at Br. Scott's.

Mon., May 24. After breakfast started out visiting. Br. Jesse Hiatt accompanied me. We went to Thomas Scott's, Br. Boyd's, McMillan's, etc., to the foot of the Blue Ridge. At 11 o'clock I preached again and at night also for the fourth time. The congregation at night was large, and I spoke with much freedom. At the close I called on a young man to lead in prayer, which he did.

Tues., May 25. Started from Capt. Clark's pretty early. Reached my cousin Joel Snider's pretty late, then went over to Spainhour's School House and preached there.

Wed., May 26. Reached Salem after a drive of 18 miles.

Sun., June 20. In morning gave part of our S. School entertainment. After dinner finished with our Sunday School exhibition. These things require an immense amount of thankless labor; and at last, tho' it seems to gratify the children, the parents appear to be so indifferent to it all. After this was all done Br. E. A. Vogler gave us some blackboard exercises.

Sun., July 4. At Macedonia I found two souls there. The rest had all gone to protracted meeting at Bethlehem.

Sat., Aug. 7. Mr. Ellis closed his grandiloquent Singing School by a most grandiloquent Finale. Seven schools were to come, and two bands were to be here. But as it was such a grand failure, the sun kindly came to the rescue and gave us a magnificent eclipse of his splendor.

Sat., Sept. 18. Br. Mock sent 21 bundles of oats, Br. Hege some pork, Br. C. Spach 1 lb. butter and a ham, Br. B. Spach cash \$1.00, Br. Traug. Spach butter and flour.

Sun., Sept. 26. Raining this morning. Not a soul came to Sunday School. It has been hot and dry so long, that the sound of the rain is music.

Thurs., Sept. 30. The Forsythe Co. Sunday School Union had its celebration today in the Square at Salem. There were about 1,500 Sunday School scholars present. Each school defiled to its appointed place, whilst the Salem brass or string band discoursed mellifluous music to certain Sunday School tunes. The morning was variously occupied—speeches and songs. Afternoon there was a lovefeast. The Brn. Vogler, Wyttsche, Rights, Saml. Rothrock, W. Albea, Jos. Cruise, 87-year-old Tomlinson, Grunert, Alspach, R. P. Leinbach addressed the meeting. At night there was prayer meeting there by fire and lantern lights. The whole meeting was a complete success.

Sun., Oct. 31. Devoted the whole of the preaching time to discussing the question of consolidation of the two Provinces.

Tues., Nov. 2. In the evening several Brn. were here arranging financial report for Synod.

Mon., Nov. 15. I have taken a very deep cold and am suffering acutely. Have taken rhubarb, camphor, morphine.

Wed., Nov. 17. Was sick in bed all day from morphine.

Thurs., Nov. 18. Thanksgiving. Fortunately 'twas forgotten to give out any appointment for this day. Went to Dr. Hunter and had a tooth drawn. Tho' a wisdom tooth, it brot far more suffering than wisdom.

Sun., Nov. 21. Attempted to preach but was too hoarse for almost anything. Afternoon I tried to confirm several brn. and Sisters. I performed my duties after some sort of a fashion. I hardly know how. I really do not think I have ever been so stupefied from cold. I could hardly acknowledge myself a responsible agent.

Sun., Nov. 28. Reading of the Articles of Brotherly Agreement. Some of the Brn. do not seem to be altogether pleased with my strictures upon children training in this community.

Sun., [Sat.,] Dec. 25. Christmas Day. Rain! Rain! Rain! Rain! About 30 came to Friedberg today. We had an address and lovefeast during which I heard the children recite their verses.

Tues., Dec. 28. Went to investigate some talk and scandal about Barbara Miller, which Sr. Nancy Fishel was accused

of starting. Of course she denied it and the proofs also. Succeeded in inducing her and Sr. Emeline Spach to shake hands, which was all I could expect.

Friedland Reports, with Kernersville, Hope, 1869

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of John Adam Friebele.]

Tues., Mar. 23. [Visited] Br. Jacob Stewart's child, who had scalded himself badly with hot water.

Wed., Mar. 24. Visited Moses Stewart's. His little son had scalded his face and hands with hot coffee.

Tues., Aug. 3. Visited a family by the name of Shields; 4 were down with typhoid fever.

Sat., Aug. 7. I was taken sick with fever, but I checked [it] somewhat by taking strong remedies.

Sun., Aug. 15. The Kernersville congregation celebrated the 13th today. The brass band which was present added much to make the occasion a festive one.

[New] Philadelphia Diary, 1869

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Mar. 14. S. School was continued in the afternoon to get ready for a celebration, which is to take place before the end of April, if possible.

Sun., Mar. 28. Easter. Cloudy. Prayed the Easter Morning Litany on the Graveyard at Phila. at 10 A.M. A very large number of people were assembled. The Piney Grove Methodist S.S., superintended by Br. C. D. Sides, joined the Phila. S.S. and headed the procession from the church to the Graveyard. The congregation proceeded to and returned from the Graveyard singing. The church was quite too small to hold half the people present. Seats were arranged before the church door for the crowd that could not get inside, and I stood in the open door and preached on Acts 10:36-43, after reading a part of the Acts of the Resurrection of our Lord. After preaching, the Holy Communion was celebrated, 33 present.

Sun., Apr. 4. At 2 P.M. preached at Poor House. At the end of the service, told them that this had been the last time I preached there before setting out on my European trip.

Sun., Apr. 25. Fine day. With my wife and 2 youngest children to Phila. The S. School celebration had already commenced. Before the main entrance of church a stage had been erected, protected by a canvas roof supported on pillars, and large enough to seat the whole S.S. Before the stage the seats were arranged for audience under the trees. The performances of children and young people were very good. The examination on miracles of Lord showed that they had been well taught. The singing also gave evidence of the care and time devoted to the practicing. After the morning exercises I preached on 1 John 5:9-13. There was a great crowd gathered during the whole day. After an intermission for dinner, at 2 P.M. S. School exercises were continued. Chiefly recitations, dialogues and singing. In closing speech by Byron Spach there was a farewell address to me, and the close was by the whole S.S. singing a farewell hymn. After a few remarks by me and an address by Br. E. A. Vogler, closed with prayer and singing of doxology.

1870

[Italy annexed the Papal States, and Rome became the capital of the unified country. The French were quickly defeated in the Franco-Prussian War, and Emperor Napoleon III surrendered at Sedan.]

In February the U.S. Weather Bureau was established. The last four Confederate states—Georgia, Mississippi, Virginia, and Texas—were formally re-admitted to the Union.

In March Ku Klux Klan activity caused North Carolina's Governor Holden to place some areas under martial law. Later in the year Holden was impeached and removed from office. Federal troops intervened to restrict KKK activity. The state's population officially exceeded one million for the first time.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1870

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

We have dwelt in peace and quietness, but abroad, on the busy European Continent, war has again been raging and is still spreading destruction and woe around in one of the fairest countries of the earth. In the month of [blank] Louis Napoleon, the emperor of France, hastily embarked in a war with Prussia and the North German Confederation upon the pretext that an insult had been offered to his government in connection with the appointment of a German prince to the throne of Spain, which country had as yet failed both in establishing a republican form of government and in obtaining a King. He has been wholly unsuccessful, is himself a prisoner of war; some of the largest towns and cities of his flourishing empire have been taken by the advancing German armies; the fair face of the country has been laid waste; and Paris itself, the gay, beautiful, wealthy, dissolute capital, has been encircled and is now besieged by the victorious armies of North Germany.

One of the most interesting and important events of the year in the world at large has been the Downfall of the Temporal Power of the Pope, and the union of all Italy under the sovereignty of Victor Emanuel, hitherto King of Sardinia. This was in accordance with the people's choice, as was shewn by their votes, but a small minority being in favor of remaining under the jurisdiction of the Pope. It is remarkable and

significant that this occurred so soon after the proclamation of the Pope's infallibility by the great Oecumenical Council assembled at Rome. A new future may now be opening for Italy, a future of more civil and religious liberty than she has enjoyed hitherto. In Spain also and in France evangelical Protestantism appears entering upon a wider sphere of usefulness, while even from Turkey we hear favorable accounts of the success of Christian missionaries.

Our labors as a Church also have been blessed by the Lord both in Christian and in heathen lands. In several of the foreign mission fields new stations have been commenced, and in that country which was in part the home of the Ancient Brethren's Church, Bohemia, where a Diaspora work has been maintained for some years by our brethren of the German Province, a Home Mission Congregation has now been organized in full communion with our Renewed Brethren's Church in accordance with a resolution of our last General Synod. May it soon be followed by others, and our church thus be permitted to preach in that land of our spiritual forefathers the same pure gospel-faith which was their life and light, and for which many of them died the martyr's death and won the martyr's crown.

During the first 7½ months of the year, the regular services were held and festival days observed, which could not be the case afterwards on account of the alterations that were being made in the church. Sunday, Aug. 14th, was the last day which we kept holy to the Lord in this place before the work of re-modeling the interior was commenced. On that day we celebrated the festival of Aug. 13th. After the 13th [14th] of Aug. our Sunday morning service was held in the spacious chapel of the Female Academy, and the evening service in our own chapel, where the Sunday School also met.

The wish expressed in the Memorabilia of last year with reference to the increased prosperity of the various societies existing in the congregation has been granted at least in part. On Wednesday, Feb. 9th, the Salem Bible Association resolved to make a special effort for the re-supply of the whole county with Bibles and Testaments. The annual meeting of the association was held on Easter Monday, Apr. 18th.

Our Home Mission Society has also been able to resume its regular work, the supply of the station at Mt. Bethel, Va.

We record also with pleasure the increased activity of the Young Men's Missionary Society during this year. The

anniversary meeting was held on Saturday, Jan. 21st [22d], a very large number of guests being present. Later in the year the wish prevailed to obtain a suitable locality in which reading rooms for the young men might be opened, where they could spend their evenings in a profitable manner. The School Board having granted the use of two rooms in the Boys' School House for this purpose, they have been thus occupied and are open every evening except on Sundays. A course of lectures was commenced, two of which have been delivered by very able and eloquent gentlemen from abroad. It is to be hoped that this effort may be permanently successful and become the means of accomplishing great good for the young men of this community.

Honorable mention must also here be made of the Ladies' Church Aid Society, which continued during this year also its persevering efforts to assist in the improvement of our church edifice.

With reference to our schools, we remark that the Female Academy has enjoyed during another year its wonted prosperity, while the Boys' School, which had been closed for some time, was reopened on Monday, Aug. 1st. The number of scholars attending the latter has been comparatively small as yet, and it is hoped may increase.

On Friday, June 24th, the Masonic Order had a public celebration of St. John's Day in our square. They occupied a platform erected in the usual place and adorned with the symbolic devices of the order. There was an oration by Rev. Dr. Reede in the afternoon, and he, with others, also spoke in the evening. The audience was large, so that the benches from the church scarcely seated all. The music was supplied by our Salem Brass Band. The Square was also the scene of several promenade concerts which were given by the Band after night during the summer season, affording all who wished it the opportunity of listening to the music, enjoying one another's company, and looking upon the animated, torch-lit scene.

A very pleasing feature in our life as a congregation was the greatly improved attendance at the weekly prayer meetings during the latter part of the year, commencing on Wednesday, Sept. 21st.

The great event of the year for us has been the renovation or improvement of our church edifice. The plan had been cherished for some time, and at a meeting of the communicant members held Apr. 21st, 1869, a committee of six brn. was

appointed to examine the proposed alterations and to report to a subsequent meeting. The task proposed to this committee was no easy one, but at a meeting of the communicant members held last Feb. 7th, a plan was submitted by them, which was approved of and referred to the Congregation Council. This body met on the 14th of Feb., and unanimously adopted the plan as a guide for the committee of three which was appointed to carry it out, with alterations if necessary.

This plan was substantially that which now commends itself to us all in its practical development for simplicity, taste, and convenience. It embraced a two-story addition of 14 ft. in width at the rear or east end of the church building, covering a fine basement as lovefeast kitchen, furnishing a minister's room and two side rooms on the first floor, a connection between which and the Female Academy affords the young ladies a private way of entrance, whence by ascending a flight of steps to the second story, which is one large room, they could enter the galleries. The pulpit was to be moved from the north side to the east end of the hall, the seats for the congregation were to be changed to correspond and to be fixed, i.e., open pews, and the galleries on the east and south were to be removed and two others built opposite to each other on the north and south sides. These were the main features of the plan.

Teams having been engaged for some time in hauling brick, lime, etc., the work of digging for the foundation of the new addition was commenced on Tuesday, July 5th. By Aug. 13th, as we have already seen, this addition was ready for the floors and roof, and it became necessary to vacate for a time our place of worship. The last service held in it was the funeral of the widowed Sr. Keehln on Monday, Aug. 15th. After that the benches and other movable furniture were removed, and the work of demolition commenced. On Monday, the 22d, the long and heavy timbers that lay along the front of the galleries on the pillars, were safely lowered to the floor, and the work of tearing down was nearly finished. All the work on the interior of the building was removed except the organ gallery. It was found necessary to take up and renew a part of the flooring, the joists on the whole of the north side being much decayed. New passages were excavated under the floor for the heaters, the position of which had to be changed to correspond with the aisles. Brick foundations were also built for the iron pillars which were to support the galleries.

As the windows were nearly 8 ft. from the floor, it was thought much would be gained by lowering them several feet. The heavy stone sills were all successfully lowered three feet and the sides of the windows walled up again within the short space of five days, and it was universally admitted to be a very great improvement indeed. This change necessitated the lowering of the roof of the corpse house, as it passed immediately beneath the sills of two windows on the north side of the church.

The work of construction now commenced, and on Sept. 8th the first of the long beams or girders for the galleries was raised into position, and the iron pillars placed beneath it. The interior of the church presented a scene of busy and cheerful activity, as large a number of hands being employed as could be obtained, but as several of them suffered from the widely prevalent fever and ague, and as more work was found necessary than had been anticipated, it became evident that we would not be able to reoccupy the place by Nov. 13th as had first been supposed probable. Four doors were made in the massive wall at the east end, two below and two for the galleries, and in the front vestibule a great improvement was effected by walling up the small doors next to the outside wall, and opening arched doorways next to the inner wall, thus throwing the whole into one. There was also a large amount of plastering and whitewashing to be done, as all of the panel work or wainscoting in the church had been torn away, and the whole interior received several coats of whitewash.

At length our faithful brethren and friends plied their task both night and day, carpenters, painters, plasterers and organ builders all working simultaneously, hastening to complete the task if possible by Christmas. Finally it was thought that by deferring some of the painting we might reoccupy the church on Christmas Eve, and thus be able to hold our usual Christmas and New Year's services. It was therefore resolved to have a reopening service at 10 A.M. on Saturday, Dec. 24th.

On Wednesday, Dec. 21st, there was a meeting of the communicant members, at which it was resolved to adopt the plan of sitting together in families.

The morning of the auspicious day having arrived bright and clear but intensely cold, a fine congregation assembled in the church at 10 A.M., and the re-opening service was held. Our temporary exile had continued but four months and a half—a short space of time if we consider all the work that was

accomplished in it—yet it was with peculiar feelings of joy and gratitude that we met once more in this house of God, and solemnly consecrated it in its new form and arrangements to His service and glory. May it continue to be a house of prayer and a house of blessings to many generations!

The expense of the work was defrayed in part by private contributions of members and friends, and we would state here that among the resolutions passed at the late meeting of communicant members was one of “thanks to all kind friends who have in any wise assisted us in the work of renewing our church.”

Salem Diary, 1870

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Wed., Jan. 5. Called also on old mother Vogler (95 yrs. of age), who has been confined to her bed for four years. She was awake, and spoke a little. When I said I would come again to see her, she replied, “I hope you will.”

Tues., Jan. 11. Ice has been made, and the ice houses were filled yesterday and today. But it is not as cold as on Sunday and yesterday.

Wed., Jan. 12. There were many people in town today, as mules, etc., belonging to the R.R. Co. were sold.

Thurs., Jan. 13. Yesterday and today have been very mild and pleasant, today indeed, quite warm, too warm for the season. A letter from Phila., Pa., states that it has been unusually warm there also.

Wed., Jan. 19. At 7 P.M. Br. Grunert kept the prayer meeting, referring to the commencement of our mission in Greenland this day 137 yrs. ago.

Sun., Jan. 23. At 10 A.M. Br. Schweinitz read the Litany (in part) and then informed the congregation that Br. Oerter had received, and by the Lord’s direction (thro’ the Lot) accepted a call to be minister here. After some further remarks, the congregation united in singing some verses of blessing (Segens-verse), whereupon Br. O. preached to a good audience.

Mon., Jan. 31. At 7 o’clock this evening there was a meeting in the church, addressed by Rev. Wyche, Agent of the American Bible Society for this state. Only a small audience was present. He proposes to organize a County Bible Society, and the members of our Salem Bible Association will have to decide

whether to unite with it or keep up a separate organization. The collection was quite creditable.

Mon., Feb. 7. About 3 P.M. it began to snow, and continued during the evening. About 33 male and perhaps as many female communicant members met in the Chapel at 7 P.M. to hear the report of the Committee appointed by a similar meeting last year to examine proposed alterations in the interior of the church building. Br. E. A. Vogler, as Chairman of the Committee, explained the plan which they had adopted, and which he had drawn on a blackboard or large slate. It was discussed at considerable length, and finally approved of by the meeting and referred to the Congregation Council, which will meet, D.V. [God willing], next Monday evening.

Wed., Feb. 9. Instead of the prayer meeting, at 7 P.M. there was a meeting of the Salem Bible Association [to take up a proposal of] the Agent of the American Bible Society (see 31st ult.). It was resolved to continue as heretofore, and to make an extra effort this year for the re-supply of the county with Bibles, etc.

Mon., Feb. 14. At 7 P.M. the Congregation Council met. There was a very good attendance (53 or 54). The plan proposed was unanimously adopted as a guide for the Committee of 3 which was appointed to carry it out, with power to make alterations if necessary.

Thurs., Feb. 17. This A.M. Br. I. Prince arrived from the North. He was called to take charge of the congregation at Kernersville, to which Br. Friebele had attended in connection with Friedland. Br. F. having since resigned and gone to Texas, Br. P. will also have the charge of Friedland, residing, however, at K., as he is a widower having but recently lost his second wife.

Wed., Mar. 2. At 7 this evening, the adjourned meeting of the Home Missionary Society was held. None was held last year, and Mt. Bethel is still vacant. The election of officers was held, and it was resolved to continue the work at Mt. Bethel. 39 members were present.

Mon., Mar. 7. The brn. A. Fogle and G. Sides left for Baltimore, etc. The former celebrated his Jubilee on last Thursday. Mrs. L. Fries had hers also on the same day. Br. Sides intends putting up a planing-mill or machine, in company with Charles Fogle.

Fri., March 18. This morning Sr. Lisetta Shultz fell downstairs backwards while carrying some bedding. She did

not think herself seriously injured at first, but Dr. Bahnson found that the collarbone was broken. The fall might easily have caused her death.

Sun., Mar. 20. The doctors (H. T. Bahnson and N. S. Siewers) set Sr. Shultz's shoulder this A.M. She is doing well.

Fri., Mar. 25. At noon Br. Prince came from Kernersville to attend a meeting of the "Forsyth Co. S.S. Union," which is to be held tomorrow.

Sat., Mar. 26. Rain, rain, all day! Only three or four came from the country, and the S.S. meeting was postponed. Br. P. could not return to K. today.

Mon., Apr. 18. Easter Monday. At 10 o'clock the Salem Bible Association held its annual meeting. Only 15 members were present. Br. O. was called to the chair. Br. Schweinitz was elected President, Br. Grunert Secretary, Br. Pfohl Depository, and Br. O. Treasurer, and five brn. directors. At 1 o'clock the Forsyth Co. S. School Union had its annual meeting, also in the Chapel. Yesterday and today have been cold, wintry days. This A.M., our eyes beheld a real winter scene, as it has snowed considerably in the night, and house-tops, trees, etc., were all covered with snow, which, however, disappeared during the day.

Thurs., May 5. This A.M. Br. and Sr. Theo. [Henry A.] Shultz and some other visitors from the North arrived.

Sun., May 15. At 10 A.M. Br. H. T. [H. A.] Shultz officiated, reading the Litany and preaching to a very good audience from Matt. 11:28-30. At the close of his sermon he alluded to the fact of his having formerly ministered to this congregation.

Wed., May 18. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. kept the prayer meeting at which there were even fewer than usual, perhaps owing to the fact that the first bell was not rung until 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, the sexton being detained at the Courthouse.

This A.M. a colored man arrived here from Bethlehem, Pa., the son of our missionary Br. Lind in Jamaica, to see whether he could be employed here. Perhaps this is the Lord's plan for supplying the African congregation with a competent preacher, etc. He has been in the service of the Episcopal church on the island of Barbadoes, where he left his family.

Thurs., May 26. Ascension Day. There was no service today, owing to the unavoidable confusion, etc., incident to the departure of pupils from the Academy.

Sun., June 12. Trinity Sunday. [In the evening] Br. O. kept a singing meeting in praise of the Holy Trinity, congregation

and choir alternating in singing hymns. But as the congregation does not know what the choir sings and the hymns must be lined out for them, it is not exactly the thing. We should have some printed English liturgies.

Fri., June 24. This P.M. the Freemasons had a public celebration of St. John's Day in the square. There was an oration by Rev. Reed, the presiding Elder of M.E. church in this district, in the afternoon, and Dr. Craven of Trinity College was expected in the evening, but did not come. Others supplied his place. The Brass Band furnished the music. The audience was quite large, so that the benches from the church scarcely seated them.

Sun., June 26. At 10 A.M. a not very large audience attended the Litany and preaching by Br. O. The flies were extremely annoying. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. officiated again, and read an article from the (British) *Messenger*, giving an account of our Diaspora work in the Baltic provinces. The audience consisted the most part of young people, as is generally the case in the evening. The other brn. went to Bethania, where Br. Rights' Jubilee was celebrated by a lovefeast.

Wed., July 6. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. kept the prayer meeting, alluding to the martyrdom of Huss, and communicating missionary intelligence.

Sun., July 10. At 10 A.M. Br. S. M. Smith, our minister at C. Dover, Ohio, here on a visit, kept the Litany and preaching, which was very well attended.

Last Tuesday the workmen began digging for the foundation of the addition to the church at the east end. Teams have been hauling brick, lime, etc., for some weeks already.

Wed., July 20. Today the masons began at the addition in the rear of the church.

Sun., July 24. At 1 o'clock there was S. School, which perhaps ought to be dropped, as the whooping cough is in town. In the country it has prevailed excessively, and at least one child has died. There have also been some cases of fever in town.

Mon., Aug. 1. At 8 o'clock this A.M. Br. O. reopened the Boys' School, which has been closed since [blank]. A meeting of the Congregation Council held last May elected a Committee, which was to see whether the School could not be opened again. As it seemed that a sufficient salary could be raised, a teacher was procured, Br. Jacob Siewers (a son of our late Br., Rev. Jac. Siewers, who died at West Salem, Ill.), who was here on a visit. There were [blank] boys present at the opening. We

cannot expect a large school at present, as there are private schools in town, which some have been attending and will continue to attend. May the Lord grant his blessing to the undertaking! It is surely of great importance that there should be a good boys' school here under the control of the congregation.

Sun., Aug. 7. At 10 A.M. Br. O. kept the Litany and preaching for the last time from the present pulpit, as Br. Schweinitz will preach next Sunday, and after that we will not be able to make use of the church anymore until the alterations are completed. At 1 o'clock there was Sund. Sch. at close of which Br. Wm. Vogler, one of the students at Bethlehem at present visiting here, gave the scholars a blackboard address. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. Geo. Winkler, also a student at Bethlehem, preached to a full church.

Sat., Aug. 13. [In the evening] there was a promenade concert by torchlight in the square, the second of the season. It was given by the brass band. Quite a number of people were in the square, which presented a lively appearance.

Sun., Aug. 14. Celebration of the 13th. At 8 A.M. the church band announced from the steeple the arrival of this Festival Day, but immediately afterwards also the departure of another member to the church above, the widowed Sr. Keehln, who entered into her rest about 4 o'clock this A.M. At 9 o'clock Br. O. kept the first meeting, in which he alluded not only to the event we commemorate today, but also to the number of recent departures, and the fact that today we worship for the last time in our sanctuary in its present condition, as the workmen are now ready to commence with the alterations of the interior. The walls of the vestry are up, and the joists laid for floors and roof. At 10 o'clock Br. Schweinitz preached from Rev. 3:3. It was an excellent sermon, and heard with attention by a good audience. At 2 o'clock was the lovefeast for the whole congregation. A number of strangers were present who have brought girls to the Academy. At 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. Grunert kept the Communion in the German language, and at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. in the English, brn. Schweinitz and Pfohl assisting. The pulpit and table were handsomely decorated for the last time with flowers.

Mon., Aug. 15. At 5 P.M. Br. O. kept the funeral of Sr. Keehln. We had no organ, as part of it has been taken along to N. York by a workman who had come to examine it.

Tues., Aug. 16. This A.M. the benches were removed from the church and stowed away in a house on Main St. (the little

house). Some of the joists under the floor seem to be pretty badly rotted, and may have to be replaced by new ones.

Sat., Aug. 20. This afternoon and evening the Ladies' Church Aid Society held a fair in the Square. A very fine display of fancy articles was made, the sale commencing about 2 o'clock, when the pupils from the Female Academy made their purchases. Later, those who wished could procure a supper of sugar cake and coffee, and in the evening other tables were spread with refreshments of various kinds, the fancy work being also still exposed for sale, while the Salem Brass Band enlivened the occasion with music. The scene was lively and picturesque, the light from the stationary torches now casting a bright glare around on the trees and smoothly shorn sward and moving forms of young and old, and then dying away gradually here or there until the torches had been replenished. The attendance was very good, and the proceeds netted about \$220. The Ladies Society has now succeeded in raising about \$930, and they have certainly done what they could to aid in the work of refitting the church. The interior of the church building at present is a scene of demolition and destruction. Part of the floor is torn up, the one gallery is quite down, and the other nearly so, pulpit torn away, etc., etc., etc.

Sun., Aug. 21. At 10 A.M. we had service in the Female Academy Chapel, where it will be held for the present on Sunday A.M. Br. Wm. Vogler (a son of the late Rev. Miles Vogler), one of the students in our College at Bethlehem, on a visit here to his mother and sisters, read the Litany and preached from Rom. 8:18.

Mon., Aug. 22. Today the long timbers that lay along the front of the galleries, on the pillars, were safely lowered to the floor by means of ropes and pulleys. The work of tearing down is now nearly finished. Br. Vogler thinks the windows can be lowered, which will be a great improvement, as they are now nearly 8 ft. above the floor.

Tues., Aug. 23. Workmen are clearing out the debris from the church, and excavating passages under the floor for the heaters, the position of which must be changed. There are still several cases of fever in town among adults and children. Some of the latter still have the whooping cough.

Sat., Aug. 27. Today the work of excavation under the church floor, and of building brick foundation for the pillars of the gallery to rest on, was finished. Two doors have been broken through the east wall into the addition. (Pigeons have

been roosting on the steeple, and in the loft above the porch on the south side, and as their presence is not desirable, a number of them have been caught and disposed of.)

Mon., Aug. 29. Today the carpenters began to lay the floor in the new addition to the church. The old connection with the Academy was torn away and the opening of that window is a great gain. It has been resolved to lower all the windows about 3 ft.

Tues., Aug. 30. Today two windows were lowered. The heavy stone sills were suspended by ropes and pulleys, until the wall had been removed below. Everyone says it will be a great improvement, and it certainly will be one of the best changes made. A great deal of light and air will be gained. New sash, with ground glass, will be put in.

Wed., Aug. 31. Work at the church windows and flooring of the addition continued. The roof of the corpse house was removed, as it will have to be altered to allow the lowering of the two windows about it. At 7¹/₂ instead of the usual prayer meeting, we had a public wedding. Br. O. united the widowed bro. Livingston N. Clinard and the single sr. Mary E. Butner in the bonds of holy matrimony. The service was opened by singing, followed by a short address, after which a short verse was sung, and then the marriage service read, and after the benediction we closed with a doxology.

Sat., Sept. 3. Today the lowering and walling up of the windows was finished, having taken much less time than we had expected. Everyone is pleased with the change. It gives quite a different appearance to the place, much more light and cheerful.

Wed., Sept. 7. The carpenters are now busy in the church preparing the timber for the galleries. Three of the iron pillars have been put under the choir-gallery and are a great improvement over the large 12 in. square wood pillars.

Thurs., Sept. 8. Today one of the long beams for the galleries was raised into position and the pillars placed beneath it. It is composed of three separate pieces pinned together, and each piece of four short ones spliced. The other will probably be hoisted tomorrow.

Sun., Sept. 11. This day one year ago Br. Bahnson departed this life.

Thurs., Sept. 15. This A.M. a telegram was received, announcing the death of George L. Winkler, who has been at



Corpse house, Salem: When the Salem church windowsills were lowered three feet in the renovation of 1870, the roof of the corpse house on the north wall also had to be lowered. The two-story addition on the left and “ground glass” windows were also installed during the 1870 renovation. This c. 1900 photo shows the stained glass windows that were installed in 1895.

Bethlehem in the college, preparing for the ministry. He had just returned thither from a visit to his mother and sister here.

Fri., Sept. 16. The brn. and srs. in service kept the usual festival today. The number was smaller than usual, as some were absent and the places of others, now resting from their labors, had not been filled. Br. Grunert of course was not present. His little son died about 11 o'clock, passing gently into the bosom of the good Shepherd. Br. and Sr. Rights were absent; she is not well. Sr. R. P. Lineback was detained at home by a sick child. Sr. Bagge's place as Single Srs. laboress has not been filled. Br. Prince is a widower, and so there were only 5 brn. and 3 srs. present.

Fri., Sept. 23. At 7 P.M. was the regular annual meeting of the Salem Home Mission Society. It was conducted by the President, Br. E. A. de Schweinitz. The attendance was better than for some time. Br. J. Benjm. Lineback, the new Home Missionary at Mt. Bethel, and his bride were present. He gave a very encouraging report of the condition of affairs. The people have been making unusual exertions for his support.

Wed., Sept. 28. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. The attendance was very good indeed. In order to encourage the good spirit which appears to be awakened in some, Br. O. invited the brn. to take part in the exercises by speaking and prayer, and also stated that written requests for special prayer might be sent in by any who had a particular desire on their own behalf or that of others. An opportunity having been given, after the singing of a hymn, for any bro. to speak, but being quite unexpected, Br. E. A. de Schweinitz arose and made a few remarks on the necessity of praying for all ministering brn. and requested that prayer be offered by someone for them. Br. O. called on br. A. Spach to lead in prayer, after which we closed with a hymn.

Sat., Oct. 1. This P.M. the Forsyth Co. S.S. Union had a meeting in our chapel. It was resolved to postpone the general celebration until next spring, as the season is so far advanced and there is still considerable sickness in the country. The question, "How can we best promote the early conversion of our children?" was then discussed; and several other questions were proposed for discussion at a Teachers' Conference to be held at the close of this month.

Tues., Oct. 4. The carpenters are still busy at the galleries, which may be finished this week. It is not expected anymore that all will be done by Nov. 13th.

Wed., Oct. 5. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. The sisters' side was entirely filled, and some sat on the other side back. Only two or three benches were vacant. Br. Vogler (E. A.) spoke, and read some extracts from G. Winkler's diary, which had been sent to him in a letter. He concluded by requesting prayer for the young men of Salem. Br. Grunert offered the prayer at Br. O.'s request.

Mon., Oct. 10. At 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. Br. Schweinitz and Br. O. set out for Kernersville, to assist Br. Prince in a protracted meeting, which he had intended to commence yesterday. Br. P. seems to [be] very popular at Kernersville and is very earnest and active.

Tues., Oct. 11. The carpenters are putting the front on the galleries in the church.

Mon., Oct. 17. In the evening Br. O. went to the Presbyterian church at Winston, where Rev. Smith of Greensboro has been preaching for several days. He delivered a powerful discourse on the last judgment. Several careless persons and young people have been awakened in Winston, and a work of grace seems to be in progress.

Wed., Oct. 19. At 7 P.M. we had another very nicely attended prayer meeting. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz presided. Bro. E. A. Vogler, A. Welfare, and Oerter spoke and prayed. Br. A. Spach also prayed. Br. Welfare mentioned that he had been thrown from his horse today and narrowly escaped an accident that might have cost his life. A special subject for prayer was presented: "Our children—present or absent."

Wed., Oct. 26. At 7 P.M. was prayer meeting. Almost every seat in the chapel was occupied! The Lord be praised! A communication was read, requesting prayer for the parents and older members of the congregation, also another requesting prayer for the *fathers*. A third was read in compliance with the request of Sr. Cooper on behalf of her son, Br. Henry Cooper, who is still in the Asylum at Raleigh, and does not seem to have been as yet much benefitted. Br. O. conducted the meeting; the brn. E. A. de S. and A. Spach also prayed.

Sun., Oct. 30. Cloudy and drizzling in the morning, but not at church time. Quite a good audience had assembled at 10 o'clock, considering the weather. Br. O. officiated, referring to the beginning of the Reformation by Luther, and also to the History of the Ancient Brethren's Church as Reformers before the Reformation.

Wed., Nov. 2. The prayer meeting at 7 o'clock was well attended. There were more men than last Wednesday, and

some who have been very rarely seen in church. Br. O. conducted the meeting and read a request for prayer on behalf of the Elm St. S. School, in which a work of grace seems to have commenced. Br. A. Welfare offered the prayer. As agreed on in the Board of Elders last evening, Br. O. invited persons who might desire pastoral help to call on him at his house, stating that he would be at home tomorrow for the purpose.

Thurs., Nov. 3. No one came during the day to see Br. O.

Thurs., Nov. 10. At 7 o'clock Rev. Smith, a Presbyterian clergyman from Greensboro, delivered a lecture in the Music Hall, the first of a course which the Young Men's Missionary Society are procuring this winter. They are displaying a laudable activity in the endeavor to secure reading rooms, where they may pass their evenings in a profitable manner. Two rooms in the Boys' School House have been granted them for the purpose, as long as they are not needed by the school.

Sun., Nov. 13. Could we only have celebrated the day by re-occupying the church! But this is not yet ready, although the work has gone forward as rapidly as could be expected. They are now scouring the floors. The carpenters' work is nearly finished, with the exception of the seats below. The windows are not yet glazed, and there is a great deal of painting to do yet. It is now thought we may be able to go in on the last Sunday in Advent.

Wed., Nov. 16. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. The attendance was somewhat smaller than it has been. None of the brn. spoke. A request for prayer for the pastor was on the table, that his hands might be held up and the congregation be truly one in the bonds of Christian love. Br. A. Welfare offered the prayer by request of Br. O. (The brn. do not like to pray without being called on by name.)

Sun., Nov. 20. A collection was taken up for the Moravian College at Bethlehem amounting to \$26.63. At 1 P.M. there was S. School. In accordance with the suggestion of one of our S. School teachers (Br. A. Welfare) a S.S. teachers' prayer meeting has been commenced and is held on Friday evening in our chapel. Teachers of all the S. Schools in town and parents are invited to be present and to take part in the exercises. The first was held on Friday, 11th inst. Not many besides our own teachers have been present as yet. The object is to pray especially for the early conversion of the scholars. (One of the members of Br. W.'s class had made a profession at Winston.)

Thurs., Nov. 24. We shall hardly be able to occupy the church by Xmas. The organ builder has been here for some days, but even if he could finish the repairs at the organ, the other work will scarcely be done.

Mon., Dec. 5. Br. E. A. Vogler (one of the Building Committee) informed Br. O. this A.M. that he thought the church would be finished by Xmas, and proposed having services on Saturday (Xmas Eve) as well as on Sunday. It might be a little awkward to have our usual Xmas Eve service for the first [service], and perhaps it would be best to have an opening service in the A.M. The S. School might have their exhibition P.M., and the Lovefeast be held as usual in the evening.

Tues., Dec. 6. At 7 P.M. the Board of Elders met. It was resolved to have service on Xmas Eve in the morning, i.e., a re-opening service.

Wed., Dec. 7. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. There were fewer present than has been the case of late. The interest seems to be decreasing.

Sun., Dec. 18. At 10 A.M. we had service for the last time in the Chapel of the Female Academy. A large audience had assembled. The church is to be re-opened on next Sat. A.M. (Xmas Eve). It will be finished with the exception of the last painting of the seats. It now makes a very neat and handsome appearance.

Wed., Dec. 21. At 7 P.M. there was a meeting of the communicant members in the Chapel to adopt regulations concerning the mode of occupying seats in the church, etc.

Sat., Dec. 24. Xmas Eve. At 10 A.M. the church was comfortably filled, and the re-opening service commenced. The brn. E. A. de Schweinitz, S. T. Pfohl, M. E. Grunert, R. P. Lineback and A. L. Oerter occupied the pulpit and platform. Br. O. read Ps. 150, after which the choir sang "Enter into his gates," etc., etc., whereupon Br. Grunert prayed the Te Deum with the congregation and then all joined in singing "This day is holy," etc. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz then addressed the congregation and offered the prayer, kneeling at the table. Br. O. then read John 1:1-18, and Eph. 3:14-21. This was followed by a hymn, and then Br. R. P. Lineback, from Friedberg, preached from Isa. 52:1 (in part). After alluding to the festival season, the solemn occasion, etc., etc., he dealt particularly on the points that it is now our duty to follow the exhortation of the text "put on thy strength," and that prayer is the great means whereby this may be done, saying that this renewed house of worship

should indeed be a "house of prayer." It was a very edifying discourse, and was heard with marked attention. At its close Br. Grunert offered prayer. The choir then sang "How sweet are thy dwellings, Lord, how fair! My soul longeth," etc., and after the congregation had joined in the verse, "One wish, with holy transport warm," etc., Br. E. A. de S. pronounced the O.T. benediction. It was a solemn service, and we doubt not that many hearts were filled with fervent joy and gratitude upon our being permitted to re-occupy our beloved sanctuary after an absence from it of four months and a half. May the Lord indeed grant to us in it many refreshings from his presence, and make it the gate of heaven to many souls!

At 4 1/2 P.M. Br. Grunert kept the first Xmas Eve service for the younger children, and at 7 P.M. Br. O. held the second, or general Lovefeast, in the usual manner, except that the address and reading were from the pulpit (as may now conveniently be done). The church was filled, but not crowded, and presented a bright and beautiful appearance. About 175 invitation tickets had been issued, but the intense cold no doubt prevented many members and guests from being present. The organ has been greatly improved by the work done upon it. All the pipes were taken out, and repairing done wherever necessary, some additional stops or registers were put in, and the pitch lowered, as it had been too high. The woodwork was grained in walnut to correspond with the pulpit, and the whole appearance of the instrument is much improved thereby. The serving in lovefeasts is much assisted by the new arrangement of the seats.

Mon., Dec. 26. Another bright clear day, but not nearly so cold as yesterday and the day before. The ice-houses were filled during the day, the ice being very nice and thick (4 1/2-6 in.) At 2 P.M. the Sunday school met in the church to rehearse the Entertainment, which commenced at 7 P.M. The church was comfortably filled, the performances quite successful, and the collection amounted to about \$51.

Sat., Dec. 31. At 11 1/2 Br. Schweinitz kept the closing meeting, which was also largely attended. The congregation had been requested to bring hymnbooks, and *sing* the hymn "Now let us praise," etc. In consequence the singing was more general than it has been of late years.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1870

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

During the remainder of the year 1869, on account of the absences of the delegates at the General Synod, Br. Oerter could only preach occasionally in the colored church, as the charge of the Salem congregation devolved upon him. In January 1870 Br. Oerter was called to be pastor of Salem congregation, and at the request of the Salem Board of Elders, the connection hitherto subsisting between the Salem Board of Elders and the colored congregation was severed, and the colored congregation placed on a more independent footing by the P.E.C., conforming to the changed circumstances of the times and the wants and wishes of the colored people. As there was no brother who could take charge of the colored congregation as minister, P.E.C. resolved to place the congregation in the immediate charge of three colored Elders, viz.: the Brn. Alexander Vogler ([margin note:] Gates), Lewis Hege, and Benjamin Zevely, to whom authority was given to conduct meetings in the colored church. The administration of the Holy Sacrament and all other ministerial acts as well as regular sermons will be attended to from time to time by ministerial brethren at Salem. Br. Alex. Vogler was elected Chairman of the Board of Elders by his colleagues. This Board is to be responsible to the P.E.C. and regular monthly meetings of the P.E.C. and Board of Elders were determined on. The Sunday School, under the superintendence of Br. E. A. Vogler, will continue to be regularly attended to.

Sun., Apr. 3. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz introduced the three above named Elders to the congregation, and explained the new arrangement. Quite a large number of persons were present. Br. Alex. Vogler addressed the meeting, and the Brn. B. Zevely and L. Hege led in prayer.

Sun., Apr. 10. Palm Sunday. At 11 A.M. the Elders held a meeting, and commenced the reading of the Acts of the Son of Man at 7 P.M. The attendance was good.

Mon.-Thurs., Apr. 11-14. At night reading of the Acts of the Son of Man by the Elders.

Thurs., Fri., Apr. 14, 15. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. At the request of the Elders, Br. Elias Vogler conducted the meetings, which were well attended.

Sun., Apr. 17. Easter Sunday. At 9 A.M. Br. Grunert prayed the Easter Morning Litany and then preached to a very numerous congregation.

Sun., Apr. 24. At 10 A.M. meeting as also at 3 P.M. and 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. by the Elders.

Thurs., Apr. 28. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. meeting of the Board of Elders with P.E.C.

Sun., May 1. Service at 10 A.M. and 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. by the Elders and S. School.

Sun., May 8. Preaching by Br. E. A. de Schweinitz at 10 A.M. After preaching, the names of the communicants were read out, and those who were present answered to their names, and all declared their wish to remain members, with the exception of one person who requested her name to be taken off the books. Some of the members who desire to remain in communion with the Moravian Church were unavoidably absent, on account of sickness. S. School in the afternoon and evening service by the Elders as usual.

Meetings and S. School held regularly by Elders.

June. The services during this month were regularly attended to by the Elders, occasionally assisted by Alfred Lind, a colored teacher from the West Indies who has taken charge of the colored day school on the other side of the creek. The whooping cough prevails among the children.

July. The services and S. School regularly attended to by the Elders.

Sun., Aug. 7. 2 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. held a meeting for the communicant members in order to ascertain who claim to be members of the congregation. Twenty names were given in. The celebration of the Holy Communion was fixed for Sunday, Aug. 21st. Several deaths among children, caused by effects of the whooping cough, have occurred.

Sun., Aug. 21. At 2 P.M. the Holy Communion was celebrated. There were 15 communicants present, 5 of whom were members of other churches. Br. E. A. de S. officiating.

September. Alfred Lind began, during this month, to hold regular meetings with acceptance.

October. Alfred Lind accepted a very advantageous offer to go to Frankfort, Kentucky. The many obstacles that he had met with here induced him to accept at once.

Sun., Oct. 30. At 7 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. preached in the colored church and announced that the Elders would continue to conduct prayer meetings, and that there would be regular

preaching as often as circumstances permitted. S. School superintended by Br. E. A. Vogler.

November. Meetings conducted by colored Elders.

Sun., Nov. 13. At 7 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. preached to a large congregation. After preaching, Br. Lewis Hege addressed the congregation in reference to his holding meetings.

December. At 2 P.M. on Christmas Day, Br. E. A. de S. preached to a small congregation. The weather was extremely cold.

Salem Congregation Council, 1870

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Feb. 14.

The Committee which had been appointed at a meeting of the Communicant Members of the Church for the purpose of devising a plan for the improvement of the interior of our church building, having submitted a report to that body, the matter was referred for further action to the Council, which was called for this evening. 54 members were present, the minutes of our last meeting were read and adopted, when the following resolutions were presented.

Whereas the plan for the alteration of the Church, submitted by the Committee to the Communicant Members of the Church, was unanimously adopted, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Salem Congregation Council,

1st: That the plan for the improvement of our Church, as submitted by Bro. E. A. Vogler, Chairman of the Committee, for the purpose, in its general features be hereby adopted; and that a building Committee, to consist of the three Brn. E. A. Vogler, Jno. D. Siewers and H. W. Fries, be hereby appointed to carry out said plan.

2nd: That it shall be the duty of said Committee to make proper exertions to raise all the money they can for the work by voluntary contributions from members of our Church and others.

3d: That the Board of Trustees of Salem Diacony be instructed to make provision to supply what additional funds may be necessary to the completion of the work.

4th: In case of the death, inability, or unwillingness of a member to continue upon said Committee, the remaining two members shall be empowered to appoint his successor.

Upon motion, the preamble and resolutions were taken seriatim, fully discussed and adopted, and finally were unanimously passed as a whole. Bro. E. A. Vogler, in accepting the trust imposed upon the Committee by these resolutions, desired the good wishes and co-operation of the Brethren, as the duties would be tedious and laborious.

Mon., July 18.

The chief object of the meeting being to hear the report of the School Committee. . . . The Committee stated that they had been successful in obtaining the services of a teacher for 12 months in Bro. Jacob Siewers, and that they had determined to make the charges for tuition at \$7.50 per session of 5 months for children of the members of the church and \$10.00 per session for boys not members, payment to be made monthly.

The motion was then made "that Council approves the action of the Committee, and the effort made by them, and desires that the School will open on August 1st." The following amendment was offered, "That if at the end of the first session the school does not meet with sufficient encouragement, it should not be continued for a longer period." The amendment after discussion was withdrawn, and the original motion was carried.

Application having been made for some of the old Church benches, Board of Trustees desire Council to express their wishes in regard thereto when the motion prevailed that they should be kept for use on public occasions, and that the Board of Trustees be authorized to provide a shelter for them.

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1870
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Thurs., Jan. 20.

5. A communication from P.E.C. was laid before the Board, stating that a call had been given to Br. A. L. Oerter, the Assistant Pastor, to be the Pastor of the congrn., which, by the direction of the Lord thro' the Lot, he had accepted, and it now remained for this Board to take action in the matter. The subject having been discussed in the absence of Br. O., he was informed that the Board accepts of his appointment, and wishes him the Lord's blessing on his labors.

Tues., Mar. 15.

1. Owing to existing circumstances, the African cong. has been without regular preaching for some time. Br. E. A. Vogler (present by invitation at this meeting of Board) has continued the Sunday School, and has also occasionally given them blackboard lectures on passages of Scripture. They profess, however, to desire more meetings, and several preachers of other denominations who have been visiting here are trying to organize congregations. After a lengthy discussion of the matter, the following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted, viz.:

Whereas, the African cong. in this place has, for a number of years, been considered as an integral part of Salem cong., and

Whereas, circumstances are now so changed that in the opinion of this Board, such an arrangement is no longer desirable, therefore

Resolved, that we, the Board of Elders of Salem cong., do hereby request the P.E.C. to sever the connection heretofore existing.

Fri., July 1.

1. At the last meeting of the Congn. Council, held May 10th [3rd], Br. A. A. Spach, whose term as a member of this Board had expired, was re-elected.

Tues., Sept. 6.

3. Some conversation was held on the *apparently* impolite custom of brn. preceding the srs. at funerals, when the deceased has been a male, and also as to the order to be observed in funeral processions, when the sexes sit together in church. Such questions, however, must be referred to a meeting of the members.

Tues., Nov. 1.

2. A joint meeting of this Board and the Board of Trustees has been held, for the purpose of deciding upon an application from a *widowed* Sister for a room in the Sisters' House. It was granted, on condition of her accepting the care of the house and of the sick. The fact that there is no Single Sisters' Laboress (or Superintendent) at present was mentioned, and it was thought some Sister should be appointed to attend at least to the temporal wants of the aged and infirm and poor of that Choir. With reference to this matter, the right of this Board to appoint to office was questioned, but no action was taken, and it lies over.

3. The spiritual state of affairs is rather better than it has been. Invitations having been given privately and in public to attend the weekly prayer meeting, the response has been very gratifying. For a number of weeks the Chapel has been well filled, and upon the whole a more earnest spirit seems to be aroused. The Pastor proposed to invite any who might be desirous of spiritual advice to call on him at a stated time, or to open a class for catechetical instruction. Board was of opinion that both of these steps might be taken, which will accordingly be done.

Tues., Dec. 6.

1. With reference to the appointing of a Single Sisters' Laboress, it was resolved that P.E.C. be asked what objection existed to filling that office, and that Sr. Paulina Vogler be named as a suitable person.

3. Board does not think that it will be necessary or advisable to introduce the new Hymn Book as soon as issued.

4. As the Church will be ready for use by Xmas Eve, Board resolved to have a re-opening service on the morning of that day, and the usual Lovefeast in the evening. A new edition of the Ode must be printed, say about 2,000 copies.

5. A meeting of Communicant Members will be called for Wed. evening, 21st inst., to discuss matters connected with the reoccupancy of the church.

Fri., Dec. 16.

Board . . . adopted a series of Resolutions, which, with omissions and alterations, was adopted by the meeting of Communicant Members, held on Wed., Dec. 21st, 1870, as follows:

Whereas We, the members of Salem Congn., have during the past six months been engaged in the work of building an addition to our church edifice, and of remodeling the interior, and

Whereas this work, by the blessing of the Lord, has been successfully completed, and we are about to re-occupy our beloved sanctuary, and

Whereas the Board of Elders has convened this meeting of Communicant Members, and has laid before it certain matters connected with the re-occupancy of our church, therefore

Resolved, 1.) That it is with fervent gratitude to God, our gracious Saviour, that we regard the completed renovation and improvement of the place in which we have been wont to worship Him, and that it is our hearts' desire that he would

prepare us all by his Spirit to appear before Him in his sanctuary, and to enjoy therein many seasons of refreshing from his presence.

Resolved, 2.) That the thanks of this meeting be presented to those brethren who have been entrusted with the superintendence of the work for the faithful and efficient manner in which they have discharged their onerous duties, and especially to Br. Elias A. Vogler, the Chairman of the Committee, who with much self-sacrifice has devoted himself both to the designing and to the execution of the work.

Resolved, 3.) That the thanks of the Congn. are due to the Authorities of Salem Fem. Academy for the use of their Chapel on Sunday mornings.

Resolved, 4.) That the thanks of the Congn. are due to the members of the Ladies' Aid Society, with whom the idea of renovating the church first originated, and who contributed so largely to our success.

Resolved, 5.) That as to the mode of occupying the seats in our church, we are of opinion that the separation of the sexes hitherto prevailing should be abolished.

Resolved, 6.) That the organ gallery shall not be open to any except those for whose use it is set apart, and to them only when their presence is required.

Resolved, 7.) That the seats shall not be distributed among the members in such a manner that any one shall have the exclusive right to any seat, but all shall be free and open as hitherto.

Resolved, 8.) That children who may come to church alone shall be assigned suitable places by the Sexton.

Resolved, 9.) That our children shall sit together on the front seats at the Christmas Eve Lovefeast.

Resolved. 10.) That as the Sunday School must still be held in the Church, it is enjoined upon the officers and scholars to exercise all possible care that nothing be injured.

Fri., Dec. 30.

2. The "Church band" having resigned, there will be a joint meeting with the Board of Trustees to take steps towards forming another.

4. The cong. will be requested to bring hymn books to the last meeting tomorrow night, and join in *singing*, "Now let us praise the Lord," at 12 o'clock, as is the old and proper custom.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1870
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., Jan. 18. All the members present.

3. Sister Eliza Kremer applies for permission to keep her private school in one of the rooms of the Boys school house and to make use of the desks and benches, etc., belonging to that house, as the locality she occupies at present will shortly be required for a Free school, that will be put in operation by the School Commissioners of the Township. Board grants the desired permission especially as nearly all the boys attending her school are children of our church members; but not knowing how soon the house may again be required for a Congregation school, Board can not promise her the use of it for any particular length of time. It is understood that we ask no rent of her for the use of the room, etc.

Thurs., Jan. 20. Full Board.

A communication from the Provincial Elders Conference was laid before the Board, stating that after several unsuccessful attempts to fill the office of minister of Salem congregation from abroad, the Prov. Elders Conference came to the determination to tender the call to Br. Albert Laurence Oerter, who has acceptably discharged the duties of the Office for nearly a year (viz., in the first place during the absence of the regular Pastor, Br. Bahnson, at the Synod, and then from the decease of said brother to the present time). Br. Oerter, according to the direction of the Lord, having accepted the call, the matter is now laid for action before the Board of Trustees, according to existing rules and regulations.

Board accepted Br. A. L. Oerter as Pastor of Salem Congregation by a unanimous vote, trusting that the Lord would abundantly support him in the discharge of the various duties incumbent upon that office. The same salary that Br. Bahnson had received as Pastor within the last year will be paid to Br. Oerter from beginning of January.

Tues., Feb. 1. Not present Br. James Leinbach.

1. Two lawyers (Thos. J. Wilson and D. H. Starbuck) have been consulted as to the right of the former Plank Road Co. to the fee of the land over which the road was built, and both state it to be a point in law that as soon as the land ceases to be used for the specific purpose for which the right of way had

been granted (i.e., if the plank road is no longer kept up), the Co. lose all control and the land reverts back to the owner that granted the right of way. On the strength of this opinion a lot in Winston covering the site of the former Plank Road has now been laid out and a deed given for it. (See minutes, Dec. 13, 1869, §1.)

3. A freedman by the name of John?, formerly the property of F. Fries, having applied for a lot on the Mill lane, the question was laid before the board. Several freedmen having, since the passage of the resolution not to sell lots to them, become owners of lots and houses in town thro' individuals purchasing from the Diacony and then selling to them, Board thinks it inexpedient under circumstances longer to refuse selling to them direct, and consequently repealed its resolution adopted Dec. 17, 1867, §1.

Tues., Mar. 29. Br. Chs. Hauser not present.

4. Br. Henry Fries applying for some town lots in Salem on the street or lane running west of the lots on Elm Street and between the new Shallowford Road and Bank Street for the purpose of erecting some houses for his Factory hands on them, it was resolved to lay off lots of 200 ft. deep and 100 ft. front (as far as practicable in that locality) between the New Shallowford Road and a lane that will have to be opened along the N.E. side of the Tanyard lot. Owing to the nature of the ground and the situation of the Tanyard lot, streets in this portion of the town can not be bro't to range properly with those on the N. side of the New Shallowford Road.

Tues., Apr. 26. Full board.

4. The Town Commissioners of Salem having in contemplation to lay a tax on capital, on stock invested, and on household furniture, in addition to that on real estate, which would make the giving in on the part of the Diacony a matter of great inconvenience and uncertainty, and Diacony having for a number of years according to law been under no obligation to pay any taxes on Church property, but had merely done so out of good will to the interest of the town (see minutes, Aug. 19, 1867, §2), it was proposed that we adopt the same plan as that pursued by the Principal of the Female Academy, which institution is also exempt by law, and instead of a regular tax according to assessment pay an annual donation or contribution towards the expenses of the town. It was proposed

that the donation or contribution be fixed at \$50 a year, in which, however, the rent of the Commissioners hall, for which \$30 has been paid by the Corporation, is included, so that Diacony besides granting the free use of the hall to the Commissioners would pay \$20 in cash as its share.

This proposition will now be laid before the Board of Commissioners for approval or rejection.

Tues., May 10. Not present Brn. J. G. Sides and Charles Hauser.

1. Congregation Council having at the annual election of Church Officers on the 3rd inst. re-elected Br. Chs. Hauser, whose term of service had expired, and elected Br. Christian Thomas Pfohl in the place of Br. James Leinbach, who declined further service, the members present organized by electing Br. S. Thos. Pfohl as President and Secretary.

5. Congregation Council having in February last resolved upon material alterations in the interior arrangement of the Church, connected with which is an additional building on the east end of the Church, towards the expenses of which a subscription has been taken up amounting to upwards of \$2,000 and the understanding being that Salem Diacony make up the balance of the cost not covered by voluntary contributions, Board took the subject under consideration and resolved that means for meeting those demands should be raised from the sale of town lots or land, and the amount realized be deposited in the Bank, subject to be drawn whenever wanted. The precise amount required it is not possible to state at present, but as material and no doubt expensive repairs will have to be undertaken at the Church organ, it will become necessary to be prepared to meet calls of at least several thousand dollars.

Tues., June 7. Full Board.

1. [T]he statement was made that the Town Commissioners had accepted the proposition made them with regard to the Town taxes paid on the part of Salem Diacony. (See minutes, Apr. 26, 1870, §4.)

As the fiscal year for which the taxes are now collected begins with Apr. 1st instead of Jan. 1st as formerly, this new arrangement will commence with the same date and the rent for the hall will consequently be charged up to that day.

5. Congregation Council having in the course of last month expressed its desire that the Congregation School for Boys (which has been discontinued for about 2 years) should again be put in operation, and having with that view elected a new School Board, said board has now taken preparatory steps towards the accomplishment of that object, but as upon examination it has found that on account of the small number of scholars that could be depended upon (especially of such as would be able to pay the regular school fees) it would not be probable that an adequate salary could be made up for a teacher, the school board now asks the Board of Trustees what assistance would be rendered to the school on the part of the Diacony towards defraying its expenses. The regular income of the Diacony, owing to losses incurred in consequence of the war, being insufficient to meet the demands yearly made upon it by the Church and other regular expenses, and especially at the present time being under the necessity of devising ways and means to bear such part of the expenses for the contemplated alterations of the Church as may fall to its share, Board does not find itself now in a condition to promise to pay or meet *all deficiencies* that might possibly arise in the school accounts, but hereby agrees to furnish \$200 towards the expenses of the first year, if they should be required.

A conversation on the necessity of making a permanent and regular arrangement for meeting the wants of the school, say by creating a separate fund, the interest of which could be appropriated to that purpose, then followed, but for the present led to no definite results.

Fri., June 10. Full Board.

3. Board approves of the plan to write for a practical organ builder to come here and examine our Church organ in order to ascertain what work it will be necessary to do to it preparatory to tuning, nothing of consequence having been done to it since 1845 and our organists complaining that the mechanism of the instrument is greatly out of repair.

4. The attention of the Board was also directed to the necessity of in time providing or finding a place where the Church benches would be kept after they shall no more be needed, as it is in contemplation to substitute a different kind of seats in the Church. Board is not able at present to advise a distinct plan, but will bear the subject in mind for future action.

Tues., July 5. Not present the Brn. J. G. Sides and Chs. Hauser.

1. Board proceeded to give names to the streets laid out in the neighbourhood of the Rail Road, calling the street E. of Church Street *Chestnut*, the one leading from Belews Creek Street to the gate of the Cemetery *Oak*, and the short street running E. and W. between Belews Creek Street and the Cemetery *Wood Street*.

3. Board resolved to propose to the next Congregation Council to give the Church benches into the care of the Town Commissioners, in order to preserve them for use at public meetings of different kinds that are from time to time held in the square at Salem and on which occasions they would be greatly missed if sold. It is proposed to give them gratis, as they would at best not meet with a ready sale.

Tues., July 19. Br. J. G. Sides not present (sick).

1. At a meeting of the Congregation Council held last night the proposition to give the Church benches into the care of the Town Commissioners was not accepted (see §3 of last minutes), Council preferring that this board should keep them under its control and provide a place for stowing them away safely.

2. The yearly accounts of Salem Diacony to April 30, 1870, together with its assets and liabilities on that day, were laid before the Board, from which it appears that the excess of receipts amounted to \$43.78 and that besides \$914.64 received from the sale of Town lots had been added to the Lot Fund, which now amounts to \$19,774.10.

A number of accounts still appearing among the assets that are now known to be worthless, or that are of such a nature that they will eventually have to be canceled, it was resolved to take off from outstanding capitals all now designated in the status as bad, viz.:

Cape Fear Bank stock	\$3,195.50
and sundry notes now lost	<u>686.03</u>
	3,881.53
Desperate Debts account	1,308.00
Amount still charged on acct. of New Church Roof	107.20

and from Acct. Ct. Drs. such as the Warden upon further investigation may select, which will probably amount to \$1,200

to \$1,500, the above accounts to be canceled thro' the Lot Fund.

3. The accounts of the Single Sisters Diacony for the same time, viz. to April 30, 1870, were next communicated. They close off with \$112.85 of excess of receipts, but as their status also embraces some worthless items it was resolved this year to take off:

the Forsyth County bonds	\$3,100.00
and sundry account currents that will not be realized, amounting to	<u>392.83</u>
total	\$3,492.83

to be canceled thro' Reserved Fund.

Mon., Aug. 29. Full Board.

Board had been called together in order to lay before it a communication of the Building Committee having in charge the alterations and improvements of the Church now in progress, stating that the lowering of the Church windows had been the subject of conversation for some time and that the Building Committee favoured the idea, believing that it would be a great improvement in the way of light and air, but as it is something not contemplated at the time the alterations of the Church were agreed upon, and as it would involve considerable expenses, in as much as it would necessitate new sash, glass, etc., they prefer that Board of Trustees express their opinion about the matter, before undertaking it.

Board of Trustees unanimously agrees with the Building Committee that the lowering of the windows would add greatly to the comfort of the Congregation by giving more light and better ventilation; and the alteration of the Church having been undertaken with a special view to improvement, Board is willing that Diacony bear the additional expense that may be involved in this part of the alteration, and consequently sanctions the cutting down or enlarging the Church windows.

Tues., Sept. 13. Not present Br. Chs. Hauser.

1. A communication signed by a Committee of 6 sisters, originally intended for the Town Commissioners but by the latter handed over to our Board, because it referred to a subject not under their jurisdiction, was laid before the Board. In this communication the wish is expressed that for the

purpose of affording more opportunity for social intercourse and amusement to the citizens of the town, the square might be improved by constructing a broad walk around it, and a permanent stand with a roof over it be put up for the use of the Brass Band, in order that regular Promenade Concerts might be held. Board, without fully entering into the merits of the case, resolved to lay the matter on the table indefinitely, as the resources of the Diacony must for the present be reserved for the heavy expenses of the Church improvement, and as the subject bro't to their notice in this communication, when viewed in all its bearings and consequences, is of such a nature as to render it questionable whether it should be entertained at all.

3. With regard to the sale of a portion of the Diacony lands lying N. and E. of the R.R., of which Board had spoken some time since, it was tho't best to let the matter rest till the prospect of completing the road shall be brighter or more certain than it is at present.

Thurs., Oct. 20. Joint meeting of the Board of Elders and of Board of Trustees.

Not present Br. J. D. Siewers (indisposed) and Br. Aug. F. Pfohl (on a journey).

1. The widowed sister Anna Margar. Blum having made application to rent a room in the Single Sisters House, the question was laid before the two boards of the Congregation having control in the matter, whether in future others than Single Sisters should be permitted to rent rooms in that house? Altho' applications to live in this house are not as frequent as formerly, when boarding at very moderate rates was furnished to the inmates, it still remains a place of refuge for such single sisters as have no other home in town, and altho' the number of inmates has so far decreased, that with but one exception, each sister has a room to herself, it was not deemed advisable to depart from the original idea under which the house was erected. The two Church Boards consequently concluded that as heretofore rooms in this house be rented to *Single Sisters* exclusively.

2. The Sisters House having since the resignation of Sr. Lucinda Bagge at the beginning of this year been without a regularly appointed overseer, and Board of Elders having in vain endeavored to find a sister to whom a general supervision could be entrusted, the application of Sr. Blum suggested the idea to the two boards now assembled whether she might not

be a suitable person for such a situation. It was therefore resolved to make her the offer of this situation. In case of her acceptance she would move into the front sickroom (now no longer used as such) and for a reasonable compensation attend to such duties as would then devolve upon her. It would, however, not be expected of her to act as sicknurse.

3. The Single Sisters Poorfund having been in the hands and under the management of Sr. Lucinda Bagge by virtue of her former appointment as superintendent of the Single Sisters Choir (Pflegerin) and having been attended to by her up to the present time, it now becomes necessary on account of her enfeebled condition to relieve her of this burthen and to give it into the hands of someone else. Board of Elders and Board of Trustees concluded that the Warden should take it under his charge and become the Treasurer of the Single Sisters Poorfund. As it is, however, not to be expected that the Single Sisters will be as free in making their wants known to him as they would be one of their own number, Board of Elders will endeavor to find a sister that will make it her business to acquaint the treasurer with the special wants of those that are in a situation to need assistance.

4. The Young Men's Missionary Society contemplate arranging a Reading Room for the especial use of its members, and ask the question, whether two rooms could be procured for that purpose in the Boys School house? As upon further deliberation prospects were held out that perhaps another suitable locality might be obtained, at least for the ensuing winter, no further action was taken in reference to the School house.

In connection with this subject the wish was expressed that the Young Men's Missionary Society be granted the privilege of making use of the Music Hall for the purpose of having some lectures delivered in it, with a view of collecting funds necessary to arrange the reading rooms, and to purchase the requisite books and periodicals. Board of Trustees gives its consent that the Music Hall be used for that purpose, provided the Musical Society does not object.

The members of the Board of Elders having withdrawn

5. the Board of Trustees next took into consideration the application of the Town Commissioners of Winston to continue 7th Street eastwardly of Main St. over Salem Diacony land, in order to open a direct communication between Winston and those lots now being built upon situated to the south of

Liberty. Board granted the required permission that a street of 40 ft. wide be opened thro' Diacony land in the direction stated above, and ask the price of \$10 for the wood standing in line of the contemplated street.

Provincial Financial Board, 1870
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Thurs., Jan. 27. Brn. Rights and E. Lineback absent.

3. The Treasurer or steward of Friedberg congr. has made his report to P.E.C. showing a deficiency of \$82.25 in the payment of the assessed contribution for the support of the minister for 1869. At the same time he reports \$51 worth of grain from church land as received by the minister free of expense, not included in the above. Board considered it right and proper that the \$51 should be deducted from the \$82.25 and merely the balance, \$31.25, paid to the minister by Sustent. Diacy. But in order to do strict justice to all parties concerned, further inquiry in reference to a resolution of the Pro. Synod of May 1868 bearing upon this matter and the construction put upon it by the Friedberg delegates is advisable.

Thurs., Feb. 10. Br. Rights absent.

2. Bro. John A. Friebele is about immigrating to Texas with his family. This is a voluntary movement on his part and in consequence he relinquishes all claim on Sustent. Diacy. for pension for himself and wife and for stipend for the education of his children. Nevertheless P.E.C. strongly recommend that, in view of the honorable way in which Bro. Friebele has acted in this whole matter, and in view of all the claims he relinquishes, Financial Board show their appreciation of his conduct by appropriating the sum of \$300 to Br. Friebele. As his means are very limited and the expenses of his journey and settlement will be very considerable, Board on motion resolved that the sum of \$300 be paid by Treasurer to Bro. Friebele, with the distinct understanding that all claims on Sustent. Diacy. are entirely and forever relinquished by him.

Mon., Feb. 28. Brn. Pfohl and Rights absent.

4. Bro. R. P. Lineback has applied, in the name of the Hope Committee, for pecuniary assistance in repairing the Church. The sum of \$25 was appropriated.

Mon., Apr. 4. Brn. Rights and Lineback absent.

2. Br. C. L. Rights applies for payment of \$48 as unpaid balance of his subscription list for 1869, for which there is very little prospect of ever receiving anything, and which he will have to lose if it is not made up to him. Treasurer was authorized to pay this balance to Br. Rights, and at the same time the necessity of addressing the Committee on this subject was urged, altho' without much prospect of effecting anything.

5. The house belonging to the Sustentation Diacy. in which Br. Bahnson lived is still occupied by his widow. As it is not required for immediate occupancy, Board had no objection that Sr. Bahnson should continue to reside in it till towards the beginning of autumn, as she desires to do. As rooms are provided for her, free of expense, by the Salem Congr. Diacy., it will be advisable that she then remove to them, and thus secure them for herself as a permanent home.

Thurs., Apr. 28. Br. Lewis Rights absent.

2. Joseph M. Cox, who owes a note, the principal of which is \$140, has made a proposition to the Treasurer that if the interest due on the note be dropped, he will pay the principal in a short time. He alleges that he has been ruined by the war and is utterly unable to pay both principal and interest. The interest accrued on note amounts to about \$60, charged in books about \$43. Under the circumstances Board deemed it advisable to accept of his offer provided he pays the principal without delay.

Thurs., May 26. Br. Rights absent.

2. Bro. I. Prince applies for a loan of \$75 from Sust. Diacy. in order to pay some debts which he contracted in Pa., during his late wife's sickness. He offers to pay this loan in monthly installments of \$5, and his book and policy of life insurance as collateral securities if required. Board granted Bro. Prince's application.

3. The Treasurer reported \$920 capital paid in and proposes to invest say \$1,000 in public securities, to which proposition board agreed.

Mon., Sept. 19. Brn. E. A. Vogler and L. Rights absent.

2. The Treasurer submitted the annual accounts from June 1, 1869, to May 31, 1870. Inclusive of all contributions the surplus amounts to \$349.92. The statement of assets and

liabilities includes a number of lost and doubtful accounts. It was resolved to balance off, by means of the surplus and Provincial Fund and horse fund, the following, viz.:

N.C. State Bonds	\$1,703.46
J. M. Cox	42.70
L. P. Hendricks	226.84
Moses Tesh	34.50
Wilson Fulton	400.69
Thos. D. Cooper	\$215.60
Wm. Poindexter	<u>\$203.62</u>
Total	\$2,827.41
applying for this purpose:	
this year's surplus	\$349.92
2 Horse fund	250.00
Provincial Fund	<u>2,227.49</u>
Total	\$2,827.41

Fri., Dec. 30. Br. Rights absent.

1. At the request of the other parties interested, Board resolved to contribute the assessed sum of \$2.50 per acre for the removal of Stiers mill dam near Bethabara, which has flooded all the land for miles along the creek and hence also the meadow belonging to Wa. Sus. Diacy. It is hoped by removing the dam not only to reclaim the land, but to prevent fevers. The Sustentation land on the creek contains 11½ acres more or less; our contribution would therefore amount to \$28.75.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1870

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Wed., Jan. 12. Called on Brother Samuel Stauber. He has just returned from a visit to Missouri. A warm day. The prayer meeting at night was well attended. People came 3 and four miles from the country.

Wed., Jan. 19. Went to Salem to attend the meeting of the P.E. Conference. Brother Oerter's call reaffirmed by Lot. Brother Prince called to Kernersville.

Sat., Jan. 29. The graveyard fence has to be rebuilt this spring at Bethabara, and if possible it must be done before

Easter. A part of the yard fence must be made new. Brother John Shore promised to do it this next week.

Mon., Feb. 14. Brother Rinehold Oehman left to join brother Friebele at Salem and go with them to Texas. His family is to go out next fall.

Sat., Feb. 19. When I came home in the evening I found br. Robert Reich, lately from Texas, at my house. He staid overnight with us.

Sun., Feb. 20. About daylight it began to snow and continued snowing till two o'clock in the afternoon. There was meeting in the School house. There was a cold night.

Mon., Feb. 21. Snow two inches deep on the ground and very cold. The snow does not melt.

Tues., Feb. 22. Still cold. Dr. Jones, Staubers, and Lash are hauling ice.

Sat., Mar. 12. Bethania Committee meeting. ([Bethania Report:] The graveyard fence, after 32 years, needs rebuilding, and is to be done between this and Easter.) Brother Schaub said the palings of the old fence were still sound and only posts and railings would be required. Brother Thos. Lash agreed to furnish the posts and railing for \$22 and then to be put up by the members. Brother Rinehold Oehman having left, Brother Alexander Grabs was appointed grave digger and to take care of the graveyard.

Sun., Mar. 13. Preaching at Bethania in the forenoon and prayer meeting at night. For once a fair Sunday, the first in five weeks.

Sun., Mar. 20. Preaching at Bethania. Gave notice that all the adult male members are requested to meet on Thursday, 31st of March, and Friday and Saturday, 1st and 2nd of April, to put up the Graveyard fence. In the afternoon I preached at Bethabara. . . . Here too I gave notice for the members to meet on Monday, the 4th of April, to put up their graveyard fence.

Thurs., Mar. 31. A rainy day. No one came to work on the graveyard.

Fri., Apr. 1. In the afternoon 45 hands worked on the graveyard fence.

Sat., Apr. 2. The Graveyard fence is finished.

Sun., Apr. 17. Easter Sunday. At 5 o'clock A.M. went on the graveyard and prayed the Easter Litany. At ten preaching from John 6:35-40. In the afternoon went to Bethabara, where there was preaching and then went on the graveyard and prayed the

Litany. Here too the graveyard fence has been rebuilt, so that that matter has been disposed of for the next twenty years.

Fri., Apr. 22. Started for Mt. Bethel, went as far as brother Edward Butner's.

Sat., Apr. 23. Went to Samuel Vaughan's, living on Lovel's Creek near Green Hill Factory, and Adam Snow stays there. ([Bethania Report:] Staid overnight at Samuel Vaughan's. He says Brother Friebele excluded him from the Church at Mt. Bethel without allowing him any trial or assigning any reason for doing so, only saying he could not be a member, and five years afterwards he hunted Vaughan up when he was living down on Fish river 15 miles from Mt. Bethel, and said that he had come to ask his pardon, that he, Friebele, had done Vaughan a great wrong, and that he had known it for several years, but had not had the courage to come and acknowledge it. Vaughan furthermore says that Brother Bahnson set his buggy on fire *himself* with his cigar, accidentally, of course,¹ and that the poisoning was all imagination, and neither admitted to him that he believed he was mistaken.)

Sun., Apr. 24. Went to Mt. Bethel and preached to a good congregation from Heb. 11:22. ([Bethania Report:] After I commenced a man got up to go out. Old Mr. Dean told them that had to stop. He and others had come there to hear preaching, and they were not going to be disturbed in that way. And that was the end of it; no one went out after that.)

Mon., Apr. 25. Preached at Mt. Bethel from Matthew 13:1-13 and preached again at night. Congregation good. ([Bethania Report:] At the conclusion of my remarks I referred to the fact that on the 10th of last April 25 years ago I preached my first sermon in that country, and that I could bear witness that there had been a great change for the better, morally and socially. Staid overnight with brother John Scott. He is quite feeble, so much so that he could not attend any of the meetings. There is at this time a fine opening for a Sunday School here. Children seem to be plenty.)

Tues. Apr. 26. Left the Mt. Bethel neighborhood and came as far as brother Edward Butner's. . . .

Wed., Apr. 27. ([Bethania Report:] Left Brother Butner's, and on my way visited Brother John Grabs, and found him quite sick. He is getting hard of hearing, and his eyesight is

¹See Salem Diary, October 3, 1858, *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina*, 12:6269.

failing too. He seemed to be overjoyed that I came, and said it did him more good than medicine. He bears the name through the country of the little man with the big heart. At 5 o'clock I came home and found Sr. Rights very sick. In fact, she was complaining when I left and became a great deal worse instead of better during my absence. The Mt. Bethel people seem to be very glad that there is a prospect for a missionary being located among them again, and on account of the peace it is high time that something is done if they ever intend to do anything.)

Thurs., May 19. Buried old Mrs. Fulk on our graveyard. She was one [of] Pastor Shober's church members and confirmed by him. Sr. Elmira Schaub played the organ for the first time, as Sr. Sallie Lehman has married a husband and can't come. ([Bethania Report:] In the evening brother Isaac Prince called in and staid overnight. He is on to Mt. Bethel to preach on next Sabbath.)

Sun., May 22. Bishop Henry Schulz from the Northern District and his wife visited Bethania today, and the Bishop preached at 10 o'clock from the text John 21:17: "Lovest thou me." In the afternoon he spoke to the Sunday School. I preached in the afternoon to the colored people from John 10:14, and at night there was prayer meeting in the church.

Mon., May 23. Brother and Sr. Schultz went to Brother Thos. Lash's to spend the day. In the afternoon Brother Lash sent them to Salem in his carriage. At night after a considerable dry spell we had a fine rain.

Wed., May 25. Rain.

Fri., May 27. Visited at Brother William Leinback's. Still raining.

Wed., June 1. A rainy day, a bad time to make hay.

Mon., June 22. Just at day break I was awakened by singing under my window and was reminded that it was my 50th birthday. During the day had a number of calls from the members and children, and a neat present on the part of the sisters of the Congregation of a pair of gold spectacles costing \$12.00, and manifestation of good wishes on the part of many of the Congregation. In the evening the children sang a number of pieces, and a number of persons not here during the day called in, and the evening was spent very pleasantly. For several days it has not rained, and people are busy in their wheat.

Sun., June 26. In the afternoon there was a Lovefeast given by the Bethania Congregation in honor of the Pastor's fiftieth birthday. Brother Emil Schweinitz kept the Lovefeast, and made an interesting address. The pastor made some remarks, followed by the Rev. Solomon Helsebeck of the Methodist Church, accompanied by singing on the part of the choir and children. The day was fine, a good turnout, and the whole thing went off pleasantly.

Sun., July 10. In the afternoon there was a Lovefeast given to Brother and Sister Daniel and Elizabeth Butner commemorating the 50th anniversary of their marriage. There were quite a number of persons from Salem.

Sat., July 30. Started with Brother John Benjamine Leinback for Mt. Bethel. Went as far as Mt. Airy and staid overnight.

Sun., July 31. Left Mt. Airy and reached Mt. Bethel at 1/2 past 10 o'clock and found a good congregation. After singing and prayer I made a short address and introduced Brother Leinback as the missionary appointed for that place and to live among them.

Tues., Aug. 2. Left Brother John Scott's for home and came as far as Brother Grabs'. This is my son Theodore's wedding day to Hannah Reigel of Nazareth.

Wed., Aug. 3. Arrived at home about 9 o'clock.

Tues., Sept. 7 [6]. Theodore and Hannah left for the Cherokee Mission.

Wed., Sept. 8 [7]. Sick with chills.

Thurs., Sept. 9 [8]. Visiting the sick. Nearly every person in Bethabara is down, mostly bilious fever.

Mon., Sept. 11 [12]. Visited a number of families down the creek. Found a number down with fever.

Tues., Sept. 12 [13]. Rode all day and did not get round.

Wed., Sept. 14. Still out visiting; still more getting down.

Thurs., Sept. 15. Rainy day. Went to Salem to attend the Home Mission meeting. On account of the rain there was no meeting. ([Bethania Report:] Learned that Brother George Winkler died at Bethlehem on yesterday.) I visited a number of sick on the way home, Henry Fogle amongst the rest.

Tues., Sept. 20. Brother Benjamine Leinback and Sister Alice Rights were married today at Bethania.

Sun., Sept. 25. The Married Choir, Widowers, and Widows celebrated their festival in Bethania. In the afternoon there was Lovefeast and Communion, and as Sister Sallie Kapp was sick, brother Benjamine Leinback played the organ, and at night

he kept the closing meeting. Upon the whole we had quite a blessed day.

Mon., Sept. 26. Benjamine Leinback and my daughter Alice are packing their things to be ready to move tomorrow to Mt. Bethel in Virginia, where he is appointed as Home Missionary.

Sat., Oct. 1. Preached at the School House. The congregation was small today; a great many are cutting tobacco. Our neighbor Daniel Bowers had the misfortune to have his tobacco barn burnt and the whole crop with it.

Mon., Oct. 3. Today a number of the brethren put up the weather vane on the Church steeple. About three months ago one night the iron rod broke off, and it came down with a crash. But today it was returned to its place, the vane and star having received a new coat of gilding at the hands of Brother Elias Shaub. The brethren Frank Masecup, Augustus Oehman, and William Fidler were outside on the roof.

Tue., Oct. 4. This afternoon Alexander Grabs and Augustus Oehman tore off the kitchen and porch roof in order to put on a new one.

Wed., Oct. 5. Helped about the roof, and we got it on by night. Sr. Rights received a letter from Hannah, Theodore's wife. They arrived at [New] Springplace on the 17th of September.

Tues., Oct. 11. Visited in Bethabara, amongst the rest Mr. Levine Hine. He has a sore foot caused by jumping on a snag and the doctor is afraid it will mortify. ([Bethania Report:] Nearly all in the place [Bethabara], young and old, are down with fever. It has not been so sickly as at present in 26 years.)

Mon., Oct. 31. Very warm, no killing frost yet. Getting wood. ([Bethania Report:] Still a good deal of fever in the neighborhood and at Bethabara, but here in town there is no case at present.)

Tues., Nov. 1. This morning there was a killing frost. I preached at Winston at night. Quite a revival in progress there.

Sat., Nov. 12. Preached at the Methodist Church on the Clemmons Ville road between Old Town and Clemmons Ville.

Fri., Nov. 25. Snow, rain and sleet. About noon my family and myself started for Mt. Bethel. ([Bethania Report:] Found it a disagreeable afternoon.)

Sat., Nov. 26. The day proved quite pleasant from above, but the farther up we went the more snow, and on the mountain it was 8 inches deep. We got to the Mission about 7 o'clock P.M.

Tues., Nov. 29. My mare got out at Brother John Scott's and started in the direction for home but was stopped on the way at Clark's.

Thurs., Dec. 1. Left Mt. Bethel for home.

Fri., Dec. 2. Arrived at home.

Sat., Dec. 3. ([Bethania Report:] This morning a messenger came to ask me to go to brother Thos. Kapp's mill and baptize a colored woman that is not expected to live. I went and found her as represented, very low but in her right mind and in a happy frame, and at her urgent request I baptized her.)

Thurs., Dec. 15. At night I preached by invitation at East Bend, it being the close of the fall session of Rev. Mr. Baldwin's school.

Fri., Dec. 16. In the forenoon attended the examinations of Mr. Baldwin's School. In the afternoon returned home.

Sun., Dec. 18. Brother Benjamine Leinback, being here from Mt. Bethel, preached in the school house, as the church was littered up with preparations for decoration.

Sat., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. The Salem Congregation re-opened their Church today, it having undergone repairs. The day was very cold, 4 above zero, the coldest weather the last three days we have had for many years. Notwithstanding, there was a good turnout in the evening when we had the usual Christmas Eve services in the Church. Before the pulpit was a Christmas tree, and the children sang a number of Christmas carols.

Sun., Dec. 25. Christmas. A cold day. Brother Benj. Leinback preached at Bethania, and I preached at Bethabara in the afternoon, and there was a lovefeast at night.

Tues., Dec. 27. Brother Benj. Leinback and Alice started for Mt. Bethel this morning. In the afternoon it began to snow and continued till in the night.

Wed., Dec. 28. The ground is covered with snow, but it is warmer and the snow is melting.

Sat., Dec. 31. Warm and the ground is full of water, causing it to be very muddy, but still there was a crowd in town at night, and as the houses were filled with people there was a good deal of sweeping necessary next morning.

Friedberg Diary, with Hope, Macedonia, 1870

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of R. Parmenio Leinbach.]

Sat., Jan. 1. After preaching there was a called meeting to decide the manner in which the subscription list should be made and arranged. ([Friedberg Report:] As usual, the majority of the members became suddenly afraid of the interior of the church and could not be induced to come into it.) 'Twas decided by Lot to have the assessment made by the Committee, and Br. C. Hege was elected Treasurer of the "Subscription Fund."

Sun., Jan. 2. Raining and sleeting. About 10 o'clock began clearing away, and the wind rose and blew hard all day. Did not go to Davie. Studying German verses and old "Gemein Protokol."

Mon., Jan. 3. 'Twas the week of prayer. I have never kept those services here, because the older members will not attend and give character and tone to the meeting; and as nothing but worldings and young folks come, merely to walk home with those of the opposite sex, they merely become occasions of mischief. There is such a terrible amount of Geschlechts Versündigungen [sexual sinnings] in this community, that I wish to avoid all things which may tend to increase it.

Fri., Jan. 7. Writing in the Church Books. Beautiful, warm day.

Sun., Jan. 9. Br. Leander Hege, one of my schoolmates, from Hope, Ind., took dinner with us.

Mon., Jan. 10. This morning Br. John Crouch accompanied me to Hope to assist in making shingles. I have at last succeeded in bringing the Hope people so far as to get at work making shingles to cover the church. The roof is so leaky that the water runs down the wall on the inside. The old Hope woods resounded with the blows of axes, and the crash of the falling trees announced the fact the people were trying to rouse up from their lethargy and indifference to the affairs of the church. There were about 30 present. I took coffee and sugar and milk over and made coffee for their dinner. There were about 10 brn. from Friedberg: Levi and Alex Padget, Arch Sink and Norman Kimmel, Lemuel Mendenhall, John Foltz and his son Jacob, John Crouch, Enoch Hyer, and Aaron Spach.

Tues., Jan. 11. Went over to Hope again. Brn. Sink, Norman Kimmel, the two Padgets, and Aaron Spach again were over. I

split wood and hauled it to the house and put it in the *new* parsonage for church use. We have about two thousand shingles made.

Thurs., Feb. 10. Br. Wm. Johnson came today by mistake, and I put him at work dragging brush, logs, etc., to the roots of the white oak below the hog stable to prevent the ground being washed away and exposing the roots. He improved the appearance of the premises very much.

Sun., Feb. 13. Contrary to my expectations, there was a good congregation present at Friedberg in the morning and at Hope in the afternoon.

Sun., Feb. 20. Raining this morning, then turned to snow. 'Twas a beautiful spectacle to see the snow coming in large flakes. I went down to the graveyard and walked among the cedars, drinking in the beauty of the scene. I love to go down there, especially along the row where the old fathers are buried, with Br. Backhoff at the head of the column, and meditate on the dim past and the vast future, perhaps not very distant to me. Br. Jos. Bruer spent the day with us, relating incidents and experiences made during his life among the Indians whilst on the frontier posts as U.S. soldier.

Sun., Mar. 13. [At Hope w]ent on graveyard with Committee Brn. to discuss the new fence. Br. C. Seides to take the matter in hand.

Fri., Mar. 18. Called at Br. Walk's, and bid his children good-bye. They are going to start for Kansas, their El Dorado. I am much mistaken if they will not regret this step.

Sun., Mar. 20. Commenced the reading of the Acts of the Son of Man. After dinner went up to Pleasant Fork and "closed my labors there." It has become so unpleasant at that place. The young people are as a class so persistently wicked, and there is always so much disturbance there and so much inattention and vexatious annoyances, that I have for some time been trying to get rid of that place. Since the new church is built 'tis worse than before. I shall this summer preach twice at Hope every month if possible.

Sun., Apr. 17. Easter Sunday. [At Hope w]e went on the graveyard after I had formed the people in ranks. Read the Easter service and then returned in good order.

Tues., Apr. 19. Br. Johnson . . . starts for Texas tomorrow ([Friedberg Report:] on a visit, to be absent the whole summer).

Thurs., May 12. Celebrated the Congregation Festival at Friedberg. The brn. E. A. de Schweinitz and H. A. Shultz were

down, and conducted the services. A number of Br. Schultz's former S.S. scholars gathered around him, expressing their joy at meeting their former pastor.

Thurs., May 19. Went over to Hope to assist in covering the church. There were only about 14 hands there: Br. C. Seides, James [Seides], Ambrose [Seides], William [Seides], Levi [Seides], John Leibengood, Cicero Ader, and Mr. John Michael. After dinner Br. Hampton and three of his sons came over and aided.

Mon., June 6. Would be *very* glad to be relieved of Macedonia.

Fri., June 17. Br. E. A. Vogler bro't Mr. John Senseman, son of Br. Edwin Senseman, to see his birthplace.

Sat., July 3 [2]. Communion day at Friedberg. Owing to intense heat or the numerous cases of whooping cough among children, the attendance was but small.

Wed., Aug. 3. Out visiting at Br. Stoner's, Br. Walk's (3 cases of fever), Charles Chitty's (4 cases), Henry Chitty's (1 case), Br. B. Spach's (1 case), Daniel Sink's, thence to Angelina Chitty's, Thos. Shore's (4 cases).

Sat., Aug. 6. Went up to Br. Philip Reich, and wrote a letter for him to his brother in Texas.

Sun., Aug. 14. S. School, etc. Small schools and small congregations. Fever among young and old. ([Friedberg Report:] the people in a common way, so afraid of quinine that they deprive themselves of the best remedy against the fever.)

Tues., Aug. 16. Sick all day. Had fever all night. Sr. Rebecca Spach was sick of fever. Gave her pills and quinine, and cured her.

Wed., Aug. 17. Fever again. Took pills and quinine, and cured myself. At home, sick from the effects of fever.

Fri., Aug. 19. Children's Festival. Small attendance. Had all the singing and speaking to do, and was so weak sometimes I thought I could not sing any more.

Sun., Aug. 28. Br. Theodore Rights, who is here with his wife on his way to his station among the Indians, preached for us this morning.

Thurs., Sept. 15. Sophie had fever again all night, and about daylight she had attack of convulsions. We put rue on her head and wrist, and she soon grew better. In the afternoon she had another attack. We put her feet in hot water. It continued about 12 minutes and then subsided.

Mon., Sept. 26. Sophie has fever every day. Arsenic does not help her.¹

Thurs., Oct. 13. Went to Br. Johnson's to settle a slight misunderstanding between his wife and Br. Foltz. ([Friedberg Report:] Did not accomplish my mission.)

Sun., Nov. 13. Preached the first written sermon I have ever delivered in N.C. ([Friedberg Report:] tho it cost me more care and labor in the preparation, it gave but little satisfaction.)

Sun., Nov. 20. Preached another written sermon on Exodus 8:10. ([Friedberg Report:] tho it was the best prepared and digested sermon I ever delivered at Friedberg, it gave so much occasion for dissatisfaction that I have not had the courage to try it since.)

Sat., Dec. 17. Went to Br. Seides to see about Christmas service at Hope. Decided to have it on Friday.

Mon.-Wed., Dec. 19-21. Working these days on my sermon to be preached at the rededication of Salem Church.

Fri., Dec. 23. Went to Hope to hold service, but no one was there.

Sat., Dec. 24. Preached the dedicatory sermon at Salem. 'Twas bitter, bitter cold.

Kernersville Diary, with Friedland, 1870

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Isaac Prince.]

Sun., Feb. 20. Br. E. de Schweinitz introduced Br. Prince to the congregation at Kernersville as their future pastor. Weather exceedingly cold and snowy. ([Kernersville Report:] The congregation at Kernersville numbers 7 married men, 6 married females, 4 widows, 1 single man, total 18. There is still a debt on the church building of \$625.00 for outlays by Dr. E. Kerner, over and above the various contributions made by him.)

Sun., Feb. 27. Br. Nat. Kerner took me to Friedland where Br. E. de Schweinitz introduced me to the congregation. ([Friedland Report:] The congregation numbers at present 48 married couples, 5 widows, 7 single men, and 7 single women, total 67. There has been a marked decrease in this congregation for some time, partly owing to the removal of some of its members to the West, and the great amount of sectarian

¹Br. Leinbach's infant daughter survived the cure this time.

influence which is brought to bear upon the members. A good deal of spasmodic religious excitement has also exercised an injurious influence counteracting that steady and healthy growth which attends a faithful preaching of the cross. An encouraging feature of the work is the large attendance of young persons, who if influenced by the Holy Spirit would form valuable acquisitions to the membership. From the fact of "hard times" and the great number of sectarian preachers, there seems to be a reluctance on the part of a majority of the members to do what they might for the support of the gospel. The land connected with the church is now under cultivation, $\frac{1}{3}$ of the produce of the farm and $\frac{1}{2}$ of the garden produce to go towards the support of the minister. Some important repairs of the church building are needed, such as a new roof and locks for the doors. The fences of the farm and graveyard also need attention.)

Thurs., Mar. 10. Held prayer meeting in Kernersville and tried to organize a Mutual Improvement and Literary Society among the young.

([Friedland Report:] During the [Passion Week] evening meetings had to reprove the young men and women for spitting tobacco juice over the floor. Made an attempt at housekeeping by cooking my own meals with such implements as I found at my disposal. Bill of fare for the first day: 2 thick slices of toast, 3 hard boiled eggs, 3 cups of coffee and 1 cigar. Feel convinced that I have greater talent for the culinary art than any of my members.)

Sun., Apr. 17. Easter Sunday. ([Kernersville Report:] Held services at Kernersville at 5 A.M., then proceeded to the graveyard to read the Easter Liturgy, and preached again at 9 A.M. After dinner went to Friedland to hold the services there. There were large crowds at both places, and the performance of the band added much to the solemnity of the occasion.)

Mon., Apr. 18. The ground was this morning covered with snow. Attended the S.S. Union meeting in Salem.

Sun., Apr. 24. In the afternoon [evening] preached to the colored people in their church.

Thurs., May 19. Started in the sulky for Mt. Bethel, where it had been arranged I should preach on Sunday the 22d.

([Kernersville Report:] The work at Mt. Bethel is a most important and encouraging one, and the Moravian Church is held in great esteem. A missionary willing to devote himself to the good of souls will be cordially and kindly received, and has

a wide field of usefulness spread around him. The people higher up in the mountains are very ignorant and superstitious, and it would be well if the next visiting minister would so arrange his time as to preach at a place 10 miles beyond Mt. Bethel, where the gospel light burns dimly.)

Sun., May 29. In the afternoon organized a Sunday School at Bunkers Hill.

Sun., June 5. ([Friedland Report:] In the afternoon went to organize a S.S. at Jack's Temple, naming it the Pleasant Grove S.S.)

([Kernersville Report:] *Sat., June 18.* Left Kernersville in the evening for Friedland, where at my request the P.E.C. has given consent to my keeping house for a few months.)

Sun., June 26. ([Kernersville Report:] A cheering feature of the work at Kernersville is the spirit of harmony which exists between the Methodist and Moravian members, and the attentive audiences at divine worship.)

([Friedland Report:] *Mon., July 4.* Rain all day. On account of the weather was not able to go to market, and had to make my dinner of cucumbers followed by apple fritters. Expected to fare as did the sons of the prophets [2 Kings 4:38-40], but was preserved. The people at Friedland have shown a very good spirit, aiding me in every possible way to get the house in order and my housekeeping under way. The commentary I have to make on my housekeeping experiment so far is: 1st, it is not good for man to be alone; 2d, ministers should not serve tables if they can help it. Reflections: Ladies who engage in house-keeping, especially cooking, should have the warm sympathy of the other sex.)

Mon., July 11. A man was found today in the woods near Friedland who had evidently committed suicide.

Sun., July 17. ([Friedland Report:] Preached at Friedland and endeavoured to apply the recent case of self destruction which occurred in the neighborhood as a warning to the young people against the first approaches of sin.)

Sat., July 30. About 20 of the Friedland members came to clean off the graveyard. Also held a meeting of the Committee, at which it was determined to take steps for putting a new roof on the church. Jacob Smith, whose name had been stricken from the list of members, appeared before the Committee, and as there was nothing charged against him he was re-admitted.

Sun., July 31. Went to Oak Ridge to hold a service. Preached to a large congregation and organized a Sunday School.

Sat., Aug. 20. Attended S.S. Union meeting in Salem. In the evening visited the Ladies Fair, which was held in the Salem square ([Friedland Report:] . . . remaining in the town until 10 P.M. to listen to the music and see sights never enjoyed at my hermitage).

Wed., Sept. 21. Moved from Friedland, where I had spent a few weeks, to Kernersville, where the church Committee had rented rooms from Jos. Kerner.

Sun., Sept. 25. By request of the officers of the Bible Society of Kernersville, gave up my church to them for a public meeting in aid of the Bible cause. Mr. F. Reid and myself addressed the congregation.

Sun., Oct. 2. Intended to begin a protracted meeting at Friedland, but rain prevented the attendance of people and ministers.

Sun., Oct. 30. Rode to Friedland to hold the service. ([Friedland Report:] As five members of the congregation intend going West this week, we commended them to God in prayer.)

Thurs., Nov. 10. ([Kernersville Report:] A circus came to the village this morning, and I supposed the regular prayer meeting would be but slimly attended. Be it said to the credit of Kernersville that the attendance at the prayer meeting was if anything better than usual and scarcely one was absent on account of the show.)

Sun., Nov. 13. Anniversary of church consecration at Kernersville. In the afternoon held lovefeast, followed by the communion. About 200 participated in the lovefeast.

Thurs., Nov. 24. Agreeably to the resolutions of [Friedland] Committee to renew the church roof, some of the members brought shingles.

Tues., Nov. 29. Purchased a stove in Salem for the use of the [Kernersville] church, the citizens and members, together with a few friends in Salem, having contributed a sufficient sum.

Wed., Dec. 7. Attended a service in Kernersville Methodist Church, conducted by Rev. Heightman, a former teacher here.

Sat., Dec. 24. Drove through the bitter cold to hold a lovefeast at Friedland. In the evening the Christmas Eve celebration was held in the church, consisting of Christmas trees, Scriptural tableaux, dialogues, etc.

Sun., Dec. 25. Christmas day. Met the Kernersville S. Scholars in the Moravian Church in the forenoon and distributed presents kindly sent from N.Y.

Sat., Dec. 31. In the evening quite a number of the villagers assembled in the pastor's room to enjoy a social time. At 11 the watch meeting began, which was well attended.

[New] Philadelphia Diary, 1870

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

After Br. E. A. de Schweinitz returned from Europe on Sept. 30, 1869, Br. Friebele retained nominal charge of Phila. congregation, altho only preaching there one time, till December 1st when Br. E. A. de S. again took charge, as he had attended to most of the services there since his return. From that time forward the services were regularly held without any unusual occurrence. As a general thing, they have been well attended. The Diary again commences with the Easter week of 1870.

Sun., May 1. [D]rove to Br. Fredr. Burkhardt's to dinner. The married Bro. John Burkhardt, his wife and child and the Single Br. Francis Burkhardt, sons of Br. Fr. Burkhardt, have quite recently emigrated to Texas.

Sun., May 15. There were a number of meetings in the neighborhood, and hence the attendance was much less than usual. I regretted this because this was the day fixed for the taking up collection for the Bible cause. The collection amounted to only \$1.20.

Sun., May 29. After preaching had an interview with the candidates for confirmation. One of them, Amanda Fulk, who made a profession at Maple Springs two years ago, is very much troubled thereby, as she thinks that she did not at that time experience a change of heart, and that by her profession she committed a heinous sin. I tried to comfort and reassure her and encouraged her by all means to be confirmed. Returned home in company with Mr. Mullen, a shoemaker in the shoe factory at Salem.

Sun., June 5. Whitsunday. At 11 A.M. preached on 1 Cor. 12:13 to a tolerable congregation, then confirmed Jane, Amanda and Lavinia Fulk, who by their confirmation become full members of Phila. congregation. Amanda Fulk was ready to come forward to be confirmed. Her scruples had been overcome by the Holy Spirit's teachings.

Sun., July 3. Announced after preaching that on account of the prevalence of the whooping cough there would be no S. School till further notice.

Sun., Sept. 25. The fever has somewhat abated as well as the whooping cough, nevertheless it was deemed advisable to postpone the recommencement of S.S. till the general health was more firmly established.

Sun., Oct. 23. Visited at Br. John Crater's, who after escaping the fever all summer and fall has now had several severe attacks. Sr. Sarah Crater and her children are convalescent.

Sun., Nov. 6. Announced the recommencement of S.S. on next Sunday at 9 A.M. Most of the sick are convalescent.

Sun., Nov. 20. S. School again commenced at Phila. after a long interval caused by the sickly summer and autumn. After preaching the subscription to the support of the ministry for 1870 was taken up amounting \$18.45. It was thought best *not* to give out preaching on Thurs., Nov 24, Thanksgiving day, because former experience has shown that such services are so very poorly attended. In the prayer there was special reference made and thanksgiving offered for the mercy of the Lord in giving us a bountiful harvest, and likewise prayer and supplication for the prosperity of the College and Theological Seminary and an outpouring of the Spirit on all the students.

Sat., Dec. 24. An intensely *cold*, but otherwise bright, clear day. After assisting at the reopening exercises of Salem Church in the morning, I drove to Phila. as soon as I had taken dinner. The weather was very cold, roads smooth and hard as a floor. Found quite a number of people assembled in spite of the cold. Held the usual Christmas meeting, consisting of address, reading of Luke 2:1-20, prayer and lovefeast. The candles and the preparatory operation of closing the shutters afforded the usual excitement to the children, whom I addressed in lovefeast in reference to the birth of the Saviour. Returned home immediately after the meeting was over.

[The Germans captured Paris in January and levied a 5 billion franc penalty on France. France again became a republic. A new German empire was begun as King Wilhelm I of Prussia became kaiser.

In October fire destroyed much of Chicago, and 100,000 were left homeless.

Under Governor Tod R. Caldwell the pre-war power structure again controlled North Carolina.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1871

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Some of our congregations in the northwestern states were for a time exposed to great danger from the extensive and fearful prairie and forest fires that raged to a remarkable extent and destroyed much property and many lives, but none of them, we believe, suffered in any great degree, altho' whole towns and villages were swept away all around them. Indeed we may state in this connection, that the year has been one of unusually frequent and extensive conflagrations in this country and abroad. Millions of dollars in property, and hundreds, if not thousands of human lives have fallen a prey to the fiery monster.

At the head of the list of its victims stands the large and flourishing city of Chicago, which in the month of October was the scene of a more extensive and destructive fire than has been known of in recent history, by which a large part of its population was rendered houseless, homeless and penniless, and which elicited the active sympathy of many both in this country and abroad. Other cities also in this and in foreign lands have suffered in like manner though not to the same extent, while in England a similar catastrophe befell Warwick castle, a venerable and interesting pile of architecture, by the destruction of which many valuable treasures of art, with which it is said to have been filled, are irrecoverably lost.

Nor can we omit to mention the misfortunes of that proud city which in some respects was reported as the centre of modern civilization and in others was undoubtedly the centre of modern depravity. Paris, which at the beginning of the year

was still besieged by the German army, and which surrendered on 28th Jan., became later the scene of anarchy and confusion, of terrorism and outrage, such as it had not witnessed since the dark days of the revolution of the last century. The Communists, refusing to submit to the regularly appointed government, but being at last overpowered, in revenge and despair fired the city, and succeeded in destroying some of its finest public buildings. Indeed they had previously, in accordance with their destructive principles, committed numerous crimes and outrages in the name of liberty, not the least of which was the murder of the venerable archbishop of Paris, which city after suffering more from the hands of its own inhabitants than at those of its foreign foes, stood but the wreck of its former self.

A noticeable feature of the times is the wide dissemination of these same Communistic principles, and the establishment in this land and many others of international societies, which aim at the entire subversion of the existing relations of society, and the establishment of a new order of things, in which there shall not be the present distinction of capitalist and laborer, but all property shall be for the common use and benefit of all. The fate of Paris has shown to what extremes of fanaticism and cruelty such principles lead when carried out into practice.

There have been other great calamities also during the year, such as destructive rain and wind and hail storms in various parts. [S]addest of all to Moravian ears came the news of another terrible hurricane in the West Indies, by which several of the islands were devastated. Our missions, however, did not suffer to the same fearful extent as on a former recent occasion, although many of the members lost their all. Collections were taken up for their benefit in all of our congregations in answer to an appeal from the U.E.C. on their behalf, and aid was also extended to the sufferers by the government in England.

Political disturbances also have existed in various places. While in France the Empire was abolished, and in Germany the ancient Empire re-established, and a new monarchy founded in Spain, considerable dissatisfaction with the government was manifested in England, and the republican form was loudly advocated in that country by some. Rome became once more the capital of united Italy, to the great disgust of the Pope, who has lost all of his temporal and a considerable part of his

spiritual power, a large party in the Roman Catholic church refusing to accept the dogma of papal infallibility.

In our own land peace has prevailed in general, although commotions and disturbances have also occurred in various places. The Mormons in Utah have been manifesting a spirit of insubordination, and their chief leader has been indicted on the charge of complicity in a murder, while in this and other Southern States the existence of secret political organizations [two lines of the Memorabilia manuscript are obliterated here] has been the occasion of trouble (which, however, we are happy to state has been subsiding).

On Saturday, Jan. 21st, the annual Lovefeast of the Young Men's Missionary Society was held, and, as usual, numerously attended. May this and our other missionary societies, both Home and Foreign, prosper still more abundantly and serve to maintain among us the missionary spirit and character of our Brethren's Church.

On Easter morning we were aroused by the sweet and solemn tones of our church tunes, performed on various instruments by several brethren who served on this occasion, as a regular church band had not yet been organized.

On Easter Monday, at 10 A.M. the annual meeting of the Salem Bible Association was held in our chapel. The Association announced last year the resupply of the county with Bibles and Testaments by an agent [Col. Isaac Gibson] who was to visit every family. He was faithfully performing this work and was approaching its completion, when he was suddenly removed from our midst by the hand of death, leaving his bereaved family to mourn an affectionate husband and parent, the church of which he was a member, a faithful and zealous supporter, and our Association its valued agent.

Our Choir festivals were held here at the appointed seasons, the services being in general well attended, and serving, we trust, to encourage all in their respective stations to faithfulness in following after Christ and in serving one another. These festival days deserve a faithful observance on our part. If duly appreciated, they cannot but be seasons of special grace and holy joy to our souls by reminding us anew of those duties which our station in life brings with it, and of the grace and strength so freely afforded to those who desire at all times and everywhere to show forth in word and deed the praises of their Lord and Master. May this continue to be our

experience with reference to this valuable institution of our Church—the Choir Festival Days. Let us continue to cherish their observance with all the pleasant and edifying features connected therewith, and so realize more and more fully our covenant of love with Jesus our Head and with one another as brethren and sisters in Him!

The Festivals of the 13th of August and 13th of November were observed as usual, and we hope not without blessing. The latter was at the same time the congregation festival, rendered doubly solemn on this occasion by the fact that it was the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the congregation at Salem. On Nov. 13th, 1771, the first meeting-hall was consecrated and the congregation regularly organized. The 13th falling this year on Monday, Sunday the 12th was observed as the festival day. At the usual hour our ears were greeted and the festivities of the day commenced by the performance of several church tunes by the new church band, which had been instructed and trained during the past months by the director of our church music, and was now able to render efficient service, a fact which we record with pleasure, as this instrumental music often forms an important and effective part of our church services, and those who have been accustomed to it cannot otherwise than deplore its absence when it cannot be rendered.

On Oct. 16th the pastor left Salem for a visit of a few weeks to Bethlehem, Pa., returning on Nov. 10th. During his absence the meetings were regularly held by the other brethren in the service at Salem, the president of our P.E.C. having the pastoral charge. At this time one of our brethren had the misfortune to fall from the scaffolding of his new house which he was building for himself, but through the mercy of the Lord received no permanent injury. Another brother had previously sustained serious injury by the caving in of a well which was being dug and into which he had descended, and a third met with an accident in his machine shop by which he was temporarily deprived of the use of an eye and which might easily have cost him his sight altogether if not his life. Recently also one of our physicians had a severe fall on the ice-clad pavement on which for a day or two it was almost impossible to walk with safety.

On Monday, Nov. 27th, the Synod of this Province met here at Salem in our chapel and continued in session for three days.

One of the most important subjects discussed by the Synod was the question of consolidation with the Northern District of the American Province. Circulars had been issued by our P.E.C. to all of the congregations with reference to this matter setting forth the advantages and disadvantages both of the present separate and of a combined organization, and meetings were held in the different congregations to consider the proposed union and prepare the delegates in as far as possible for action in Synod without, however, trammeling them by positive instructions to vote for or against union. After a lengthy discussion Synod concluded not to take action upon the subject at present, and the question was laid on the table.

Another important resolution was the fruit of a memorial signed by 101 communicant members of the several congregations requesting the establishment of a good Provincial School for Boys. This was unanimously agreed to, and collectors have now been appointed in each congregation of this Province to solicit contributions from members and friends of the church for the erection of a suitable building.

During the first week of this month the weather was very cold. Ice was formed of about 2 inches in thickness and most of the ice houses were filled at an earlier date than usual. Since then we have had a considerable fall of snow and still more severe cold, so that the winter thus far has been one of unusual severity for this climate. In other parts there have been deep snows, and the life of man and beast has been quenched by the excessive cold. Even the fur-clad and shaggy monarches of the western plains have crowded up to the snowed-in railway trains for protection from the icy blast, and their frozen carcasses lay strewed in numbers along the track.

On Christmas Eve the usual services were held, a very large number of members and invited guests attending the Lovefeast in the evening, and, we trust, all joining with glad and grateful hearts in the adoration of our incarnate Saviour.

To the festivities of these days we must yet add a concert by the Elm Street Sunday School, which is a very gratifying state of prosperity, in our chapel and a Christmas Dialogue performed by the African Sunday School, which was attended by a large audience and proved highly successful. On last Thursday evening also, our own Sunday School gave a Christmas concert in the church. A large Christmas tree had been erected on the platform, the pulpit having been removed. It reached

up to the keystone of the arch behind the pulpit, and was decorated and hung with numerous ornaments and beautifully illuminated with wax candles.

Salem Diary, 1871

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sun., Jan. 15. Last week the seats received the last coat of paint, doors, etc., also.

Wed., Jan. 18. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting and spoke on the Daily Word. The attendance was not large, but still continues better than it had been before the *unusual* attendance of last fall.

Sat., Jan. 21. The painting of the church is now finished.

Tues., Jan. 24. At 4 P.M. was the funeral of a little girl, Margaret McMillan, a niece of Sr. Yates, who with her husband has recently returned hither from New Jersey. They had adopted the child, whose father lives in London, England. There was no "blowing," as a new church band had not yet been organized.

Thurs., Feb. 9. The office of the Single Sisters' Laboress has for some time been vacant, Sr. L. Bagge having resigned on account of increasing feebleness. It is impracticable at present to appoint a successor, but [it] is thought there should be someone to attend to the temporal wants of the more aged and infirm of this Choir and confer with Br. Pfohl, who is now treasurer of the Single Sisters' Poor Fund. Sr. Paulina Vogler has consented to accept of this charge.

Sun., Feb. 19. [A]t 7 P.M. Br. Wesley Spach, one of our missionaries among the Cherokee Indians, preached. He is here on a visit, and will return this week to the mission.

Wed., Feb. 22. Ash Wednesday and Washington's birthday. There was no celebration of the day except a few fireworks about 7 P.M. Neither was there any prayer meeting.

Wed., Mar. 1. During the past days we have been called on to sympathize with one of our brn. in Salem who has been one of our most prominent businessmen and active too in serving the Lord, but has now become insolvent. He bears his great reverse with true Christian submission and fortitude. We hope that others may not be reduced to distress by being thrown out of employment, as would be the case if his business should be wholly suspended. (It is now carried on by his assignee.)

Wed., Mar. 8. The funeral of Sr. T[ransu] took place at 1 P.M. It was not very largely attended. As we have no "church band" at present, funeral services lack a good deal of their former impressive character. It is to be hoped that one may ere long be formed.

Sun., Mar. 19. A most lovely day after the rain of yesterday and the day before. Vegetation begins to flourish, grass is quite long, peach and other fruit trees in blossom, wheat fields look green. Altogether, we have an early spring.

Fri., Apr. 7. Good Friday. Jessie McMillan died early this A.M. It is certainly a mysterious providence that has removed these two adopted children from their foster parents so soon after their arrival in this country from England, and the more so as Sr. Yates has already lost all of her own children while living here some years ago.

Sun., Apr. 9. Easter. The congregation was awakened as usual by the blowing of the church band. At 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ A.M. we met before the church, and after singing proceeded to the burial ground. A very large concourse was present, consisting of members and others. Br. M. E. Grunert read the Litany, Rev. Albea, Meth. Ep. minister at Winston, was present and stood with us. Good order, in general, prevailed.

Mon., Apr. 10. At 10 A.M. the annual meeting of the Salem Bible Association was held in the chapel. A very small number of brn. and srs. was present. Rev. Wyche, state agent of American Bible Society, was here and spoke. The association undertook last year the re-supply of the county with Bibles and Testaments by an agent who was to visit every family. He has visited the greater portion, and finds there is not as much destitution of God's Word as was apprehended by some. He expects to complete the work this summer. At 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. and Sr. O. visited at Br. Henry Shaffner's for the purpose of administering the Lord's Supper to the aged widowed Sr. Cath. Shaffner. In some aspects she is helpless, but can still read, although she soon forgets what she has read, and reads it again as quite new. She was 90 years of age last October and is now the oldest member of the congregation.

Mon., May 1. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. kept the monthly missionary prayer meeting, and communicated intelligence from the West Himalaya mission, consisting of extracts from letters of the brn. Pagell and Heyde describing missionary tours. The attendance of brn. was rather small.

Tues., May 9. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the Congregation Council met to hold the annual Election for Church Officers. The Treasurer of the School Board reported that the School was a pretty heavy expense to the Diacony, but it was the opinion of the meeting that a school for our boys ought to be maintained by the congregation, and that we should therefore go on with it.

Tues., May 16. Towards evening we were visited by a furious rain and hail storm. Gardens were somewhat injured—plants cut off or beat down flat on the earth, leaves of grape vines, etc., riddled and torn, and the ground washed considerably. Tar river was very high, carrying away fences and bridges along its course. One of the cedars in the Avenue was broken off by the wind.

Wed., May 17. It rained a little again today, as it has done of late, considerably. The weather has thus been rather unfavorable to the progress of some repairs on the parsonage premises. A new fence has been made on the north side of the garden, and also on the south side of the yard, and the Sisters House has also been repaired.

Thurs., June 8. At 2 P.M. a respectable audience of parents and friends of the scholars attending the Infant School, taught by Sr. Sophia Pfohl, met in the church for the closing Exhibition. The exercises continued in two sessions until about 4 o'clock, and were very creditable to the little ones, and also to their faithful teacher, who has had the school in charge for [blank] years.

Fri., June 9. The School Board met at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. The Boys' School will be reopened on the 10th of July, and continue until the week before Xmas. The Board was willing to engage the services of Br. Jacob D. Siewers, who has been the teacher during the last year, for another session. Should the School not prosper more than it has done during the last two sessions, Board may see fit to submit the question of its continuance to the Congregation Council. There were only 13 scholars on the list at the close of last session, owing in a great measure to the existence of a good private school in town, to which parents were sending their boys before our congregation school was reopened.

Wed., June 21. At 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ P.M. the prayer meeting was held in the church, and the circular issued by P.E.C. with reference to the subject of union with the Northern Province was read.

The attendance was not as large as it should have been. The circular is to be printed for distribution.

Sun., June 25. At 1 P.M. there was S. School. Br. O. at the request of the superintendent (Br. Jas. Lineback) told the scholars a little about the mission in Bohemia and Moravia, as their penny collections will be given to that cause at present.

Fri., July 7. The Sunday School had a picnic out at Mr. Reed's place near town. The day passed very pleasantly. It rained for about half an hour in the P.M., but all found shelter in the house and out buildings. The Brass Band was out, and performed several Sunday School pieces, etc.

Sun., July 23. It was not at all warm in the church. The new upper sashes of the windows were put in last week, and are on hinges, so that they can be opened. The weather has been unusually cool for some days.

Wed., Aug. 16. This has been called by some the warmest day this summer. At 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the thermometer at Br. E. A. Vogler's jewelry store showed 100° in the shade. The heat of the sun (i.e., out of the shade) was almost insupportable. The dust lies thick on Main Street.

Tues., Aug. 22. At last the Lord has sent us plentiful showers of refreshing rain. May all be truly grateful! Some corn, etc., has suffered, perhaps beyond recover, but some will still be benefitted, and other things too.

Sat., Sept. 9. At 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. Br. M. E. Grunert, President of Salem Female Academy, arrived from Philadelphia with his bride. (He had been bereaved of his former partner July 13, 1869.) They were greeted with a song of welcome, sung by the pupils, who stood on the portico of the Academy, as they drove up.

Mon., Sept. 11. Br. and Sr. O. attended a dinner given to the brn. and srs. in the service in S.F.A. in honor of Br. G.'s marriage. We sat at a table in the middle of the hall, and the pupils at their tables around us. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz afterwards addressed the pupils, and expressed our good wishes for Br. and Sr. G. Br. G. responded, and we then went over to the house, where we spent some time with them. In the person of Sr. Martha Smith, he has secured a very estimable and efficient partner. In the evening there was a Bridal Serenade in front of the Academy. The brass band, Orchestra, and Church choir as well as the pupils took part.

Mon., Sept. 18. Br. and Sr. O. were made the recipients of a donation surprise party this evening. It was Br. O.'s birthday,

and some of the members contributed various articles such as potatoes, flour and other groceries, besides other things, most of which was brought in a wagon about 7 o'clock P.M. Br. O. was then obliged to attend a meeting of the Home Mission Board at Br. Schweinitz's, from which he was called out with the message that someone wished to see him at home. On arriving there he found a large company assembled, and soon refreshments which had been brought were handed round. After spending some time together in this pleasant manner, the visitors departed, leaving their pastor considerably enriched in household and larder, as well as in the pleasure afforded by such a successful surprise party.

Sun., Sept. 24. The day was fine, and probably a goodly number went to the camp meeting which is being held at Maple Springs, and also to the "Dipping" at Belo's pond by the Campbellite Baptists. One of their ministers (Jordon) has been preaching in the Courthouse at Winston for some time and has just held a protracted meeting there.

Sun., Oct. 8. After the rain of last Thursday and Friday we have had damp weather and a kind of smoky atmosphere, as though there were woods on fire in the neighborhood. (In the A.M. service Br. O. read a circular from P.E.C., announcing that the Synod would commence on Monday, Nov. 27th.)

Fri., Nov. 10. At 3 P.M. Br. S. kept the funeral of the Single Sr. Maria Cath. Blickensderfer. Br. O. read the Litany at the grave. At this funeral we again had the services of a church band, as the boys who have been trained by Br. E. W. Lineback are now able to play.

Sun., Nov. 12. At 7^{1/2} A.M. the Church band announced the Festival Day from the steeple. . . . Over the pulpit against the wall, the figures 100 had been placed, and on either side suspended on lines from the pulpit lights to the first on the aisles, 1771 and 1871. On the pulpit were three large pyramids of flowers. The Lord grant our fervent prayers for a blessing on this congregation, which has now existed for 100 years! Nov. 13, 1771, the first meeting hall was consecrated, and the congregation regularly organized. "O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endureth for ever!"

Mon., Nov. 27. At 10 A.M. the Synod of this Province met in our chapel, E. A. de Schweinitz, President.

Tues., Nov. 28. Synod met again at 9 A.M. and 2 P.M. Four committees were appointed: on Church Government, State of Religion, Education, and Finance.

Wed., Nov. 29. Synod adjourned sine die at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. The brn. of P.E.C. were re-elected, viz., the brn. S. T. Pfohl and C. L. Rights, Br. Schweinitz being a member "ex officio," as Administrator. Union with the Northern Province was "laid on the table."

Wed., Dec. 6. It has been very cold yesterday and today. Some had 12° A.M. Preparations have been made for hauling ice tomorrow.

Fri., Dec. 15. Last night and this A.M. snow fell to the depth of about 6 in., more than we have had at one time for several years.

Fri., Dec. 29. This evening there was a refreshment-fair held in the house on Main Street belonging to S.F.A., on behalf of the Elm St. S. School, which has been increasing until it is too large for the building in which it has been held (the free school house), so that it is the intention to build an addition.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1871

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

January. On New Year's Day Bro. E. A. Vogler gave the S. School a lovefeast. Meetings were held on Sunday evenings by the Elders. Attendance generally poor. On Sun., Jan. 8, at 7 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. preached to a small congregation. The monthly meetings with colored Elders were pretty regularly held during winter.

Sun., Apr. 2. Palm Sunday. Br. E. A. Vogler conducted the Easter Meetings thro'out the Holy Week. The attendance was generally good.

Sun., Apr. 9. Easter. At 9 A.M. Br. Grunert prayed the Easter Morning Litany and then preached to a very numerous congregation.

Sun., May 21. Br. E. A. de S. had intended to preach on the evening of this day in the colored church, but found nearly all the people had gone to Winston to attend the meetings of a colored Methodist Elder.

Sun., June 4. According to previous notice the Holy Communion was held at 2 P.M. Br. Alexander Gates [Vogler] was

introduced by Br. E. A. de S. to the congregation as the future conductor of the meetings, the Board of Elders continuing in their office. Twenty communicants were present, among them quite a number of members of other denominations.

Sun., July 23. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. E. A. de S. preached to a pretty numerous audience.

The S. School has stopped for the present on account of the extreme heat. Meetings by Br. Gates as usual.

August. During this month, according to the report of Bro. Alex. Gates and the other Elders, a great deal of interest has been displayed by a number of persons in seeking the salvation of the Lord. The meetings, which were regularly held by Br. Gates, have been well attended.

September. The interest awakened continues. On Sunday, September 3d, at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. E. A. de S. preached to a good audience on 2 Cor. 4:5. There is likewise much interest manifested at Crater's Schoolhouse near Phila. Church, where Br. Gates has held meetings and organized a colored S. School. According to his report there are several persons who wish to join the Moravian Church.

October. The meetings on Sunday evenings were conducted by Bro. Gates. The two other Elders seem to be somewhat lukewarm.

Thurs., Oct. 12. At the request of Br. Gates, and the other Elders Br. E. A. de S. commenced a course of instruction in the chief doctrines of our holy religion at 7 P.M. on this day in the colored church. There are several souls who are anxiously seeking the Lord. The instruction is open for all. About 15 to 20 or more attend. This instruction was regularly continued thro'out the month on Thursday evenings at 7 P.M.

Thurs., Nov. 2. 7 P.M. instruction as usual, after which prayer meeting till 9 P.M. A series of meetings are again in progress. Some 6-9 persons seem most concerned for their salvation. Young George, cook of Mrs. Fries, professed to have found peace and pardon on this night.

The instruction meetings were soon after discontinued for the winter, as the attendance gradually became irregular, and preparations for a Christmas celebration by the S. School commenced.

December. The meetings conducted by Elder Gates, but not very regularly. On Dec. 25, Xmas day, there was a Christmas dialogue and singing at night. Sr. Maria Crist, the superintendent

of S. School, had taken great pains in training the scholars, and they did very well. A very large and mixed crowd of colored and white was present. Br. E. A. de S. addressed a few words to the school.

Salem Congregation Council, 1871

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., May 9.

A report was submitted by the Secty. of the School Committee. The result of their year's efforts not having proved as satisfactory financially as had been hoped would be the case, and their deficiency to the end of the year being \$304.00 to be paid by the Diacony, without any better prospects for the ensuing year, the Committee desire the sense of the meeting whether the School should be continued for a longer period. The question elicited considerable discussion when the motion prevailed that the Committee be requested to continue the School for some time longer.

Mon., Oct. 30.

[T]he object of the meeting was for the election of nine delegates to represent the Congregation at the Prov. Synod to be held on the 27th Nov. next.

The circular issued by the P.E.C. to the members of the Congregations in regard to the union of the Northern and Southern Provinces, which question would be brought before the Synod for final action, was read.

The following preamble and resolutions were then introduced and being seconded were taken up separately and discussed at great length:

Whereas this meeting of the Council has been called for the purpose of electing delegates to the Prov. Synod, to be held on the 27th Nov. next, wherein the question of Union with the Northern Province is to be determined;

And Whereas several changes have been made in the Northern Province since the question was first brought before us several years since, and through which changes we would still remain a distinct Southern District;

And Whereas we fear that the direction of the affairs of the Salem Female Academy by a non-resident Board of Trustees

would have an injurious effect upon the prosperity of that institution;

Therefore, Resolved that if in the estimation of the delegates to the Synod, a union with the Northern Province be found desirable, they shall endeavor to effect the said union upon the following basis:

1st The P.E.C. of the Moravian Church in America shall have the direction over the Southern Province in regard to the appointment of Ministers, etc., with such other powers as belong to that body, excepting such powers as are herein after excepted.

2d That the property and funds of the Sustentation, excepting the Salem Female Academy, with all the incomes arising therefrom be held by the P.E.C. in trust for the exclusive use and benefit of the Southern District.

3d The affairs of the Salem Female Academy to be conducted by the Principal thereof, together with the Board of Trustees.

4th The Board of Trustees of Salem Female Academy shall be appointed by the P.E.C. from among the resident ministers and brethren of the Southern District.

Resolved further that this Council is not favorable to a union upon any terms not in accordance with the above resolutions.

Preamble, 1st, and 3d were upon motion adopted with some changes in the phraseology, whilst the 2d was entirely stricken out.

Pending the lengthy debate upon the first [fourth?] resolution, the motion prevailed to adjourn, to meet again tomorrow night, October 31st.

Tues., Oct. 31.

Council met according to adjournment, 30 members present. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved, and the consideration of the unfinished business was resumed, when the preamble and resolutions presented last night were withdrawn and the following submitted instead:

Whereas this meeting of the Council has been called for the purpose of electing delegates to the Provincial Synod to be held on the 27th Nov. 1871, wherein the question of the consolidation of the different provinces of the Moravian Church in North America is to be determined;

And Whereas several changes have been made in the Northern Province since the question was first brought before

us several years since, and through which changes we would still remain a distinct Southern District;

And Whereas we believe that the direction of the affairs of the Salem Female Academy by a non-resident Board of Trustees would have an injurious effect upon the prosperity of that institution;

Therefore, Resolved that if in the estimation of the delegates to the Synod, a consolidation of the Moravian Church be found desirable, they shall endeavor to effect the same upon the following basis:

1st The P.E.C. of the Moravian Church shall have the direction of all the affairs of the church in regard to the appointment of Ministers, etc., with such other powers as belong to that body, excepting such as are herein after excepted.

2nd That the delegates be requested to use all efforts to have the Sustentation funds used for the benefit of our district, and especially instructed that all contracts and obligations entered into between previous Synods and any of our ministers shall be held inviolable.

3d The Board of Trustees of S.F. Academy in our opinion should be appointed from among the resident ministers or laymen, if practicable, of the Southern District.

The Preamble and Resolutions as far as they had been adopted in the previous ones were again agreed to, and the discussion was continued upon the first resolution, when the following amendment was introduced and seconded.

"That the property and funds of the Sustentation, excepting the S.F. Academy, with all the incomes arising therefrom be held by the P.E.C. in trust, the annual proceeds of which, after paying the expenses of our delegates to the Synod of the American Province, and affording aid to the country congregations now existing as heretofore, shall pass into the fund of the American Province."

The amendment upon motion was lost, and the question recurring upon the original resolution, was adopted.

Upon the debate upon the next resolution, the motion was made and seconded to lay the whole upon the table, but was lost.

They were again taken up and carried and finally adopted as a whole as amended. . . .

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1871

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Jan. 23.

1. The Board of Trustees, having at a joint meeting with this Board held 13th inst., expressed a willingness to appropriate \$60 annually for the payment of a church band, Br. E. W. Lineback will endeavor to form one. It should not consist of more than five or six performers.

2. A letter from the P.E.C., in reply to the question of this Board concerning a Single Sisters' Laboress, was read, stating that there was no objection to appoint one, if practicable, but that final action had been postponed until after our joint meeting. Said meeting having found the appointment impracticable, P.E.C. will be informed accordingly. The Pastor will therefore see whether Sr. Paulina Vogler will accept the charge of the infirm and needy of that Choir, in order to inform and confer with Br. S. T. Pfohl, Treas. of the Single Sisters' Poor Fund, concerning any case that may require assistance. The joint meeting agreed that she might have her room in the Sisters' House rent-free.

Sat., May 27.

1. At a meeting of the Cong. Council held Tues., May 9th, Br. J. N. Blum was re-elected into this Board.

4. A circular has been issued by P.E.C. with reference to the union of this Province with the Northern. It was resolved that this circular be read at a special Members' meeting on some Wed. evening, and that we suggest to P.E.C. to have it printed for distribution in all our congns.

Fri., June 16.

1. As the circular of P.E.C. will not be printed for the Country Congns., Board resolved to have about 200 copies printed for Salem. The circular will be read in the meeting next Wed. evening, which will begin at 1/4 8 o'clock.

Fri., Dec. 29.

1. The Pastor will inquire of P.E.C. as to the prospects for soon opening the Provincial Boys' School which the Synod of this Prov. resolved to establish here at Salem.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1871
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., Jan. 10. Full Board.

4. Br. Levin Brietz gives notice that he has rented his interest in the Salem mill to Lee Hendricks for a term of years, but that the ownership of the mill will not thereby be affected, he and Br. Nathl. Blum remaining the sole owners of the property as heretofore, and that Hendricks had nothing to do with the leasing of the land.

5. Bethabara Congregation applies for 14 of our church benches with backs or leans to them. Board is willing to favour them provided they give us in return the same amount of sitting room in benches without backs to them, i.e., to exchange 14 of ours for their benches.

Fri., Jan. 13. Joint meeting of Board of Elders and Board of Trustees. Both Boards full.

1. The members of the Salem Brass band who have thus far attended to the blowing of the instruments on funeral and other occasions, having for certain reasons, assigned by them, notified the Pastor of their unwillingness to continue this service, the question was discussed how to supply their place. Both the Boards being of opinion that the laudable and characteristic custom of our church of blowing of hymn tunes at funeral and other solemn occasions should not be abandoned, the following conclusion was eventually arrived at, viz., that the Board of Elders endeavor to find 6 suitable individuals who would be willing to undertake this service, and that the Board of Trustees will pay \$60 per year for their service.

2. The Board of Elders, having in their endeavour to find a suitable sister who would make it her business to ascertain the particular wants of indigent single Sisters and to acquaint the Treasurer of the Single Sisters Poorfund with them (See minutes, Oct. 20, 1870, §3), agitated the question of the appointment of a sister as head or chief superintendent in spiritual matters (Pflegerin) of the Single Sisters Choir, and addressed a communication to that effect to the Prov. Eld. Conf. The latter felt no freedom to act in the case without knowing the idea of the Board of Trustees on the subject of a salary that would have to be paid from the Sisters Diacony to such a Sister.

The result of the yearly accounts of that Diacony for the last 6 yrs. was bro't to the notice of the 2 boards, from which it

was apparent that the disbursements of said Diacony in those 6 yrs. have exceeded the receipts by \$763 and would have been still greater if the former sisters' labouress (Sr. Luc. Bagge) had not voluntarily relinquished her yearly salary, and if the Board of Trustees had not freed that Diacony from sundry annual contributions, amounting to \$109, formerly paid by it. Within these 6 yrs. the invested capital of the Single Sisters Diacony has on account of losses been reduced from \$10,256 to \$6,190, of which amount only \$1,080 appear as *good and reliable* and draw interest. Under such circumstances Board of Trustees does not consider it prudent to burthen this Diacony with a salary for a Single Sisters Labouress.

Tues., Jan. 24. Full Board.

6. The Managers of "the Female Society in Aid of the Church Improvements," which Society by its exertions has been the means of raising upwards of \$1,000 towards that object, have expressed a desire to present the Chandelier formerly used in our Church, and which also had been procured thro' their instrumentality, to the Church of our sister Congregation at Bethania. Said Chandelier, adapted for the consumption of lard, having been out of use since the introduction of gas into our Church in 1860, and the Sisters who bo't it wishing to dispose of it in this manner, Board is not inclined to prevent them from carrying out their plan, and consequently gives its consent that it be presented to the Congregation at Bethania.

Tues., Feb. 21. Full Board.

4. The books of the old "Salem Reading Society" having been kept in the store building of Pfohl & Stockton for some years, they now wish them to be removed to some other locality. The idea was suggested that they be taken to the Reading Room of the Young Men's Missionary Society, lately organized in the Boys' School house, and given in charge to the members belonging to that room, with permission that they could make use of them. Br. Edwd. Blum, the President of the Young Men's Missionary Society, will lay the subject before their meeting.

Mon., Mar. 13. Not present Br. Aug. F. Pfohl.

The Board of Elders not having succeeded in prevailing upon any of the members of the brass band again to undertake the

blowing at funeral and other occasions (see minutes, Jan. 13, 1871, §1), it was, upon application, resolved by the Board of Trustees that the necessary brass instruments for a Church Band be purchased, with a view of then training the requisite number of persons to that service. The cost of the instruments will probably amount to about \$100.

Board expressed the wish that until the new band shall have attained the necessary degree of proficiency, some of the older musicians might, if possible, be prevailed upon to blow whenever occasion should require it.

Mon., May 15. Not present the Brnn. Charles Hauser and Edward Blum.

1. Congregation Council having on the 9th inst. re-elected the Brnn. J. G. Sides and John D. Siewers, whose term of service had expired, Board met and organized by electing S. Thos. Pfohl as President and Secretary.

2. It was resolved in future not to hold meetings of the Board at regular and stated times, but to meet whenever called together by the President.

5. Our Church since the alteration of its benches not being as well adapted for the purpose of Entertainments or Examinations of Schools that were formerly held in it, Board gives its consent that in case application should be made for the use of the Music Hall for the purpose of keeping the Entertainment of the Infant School in the same, that the Music Society give its permission.

Wed., Aug. 16. Not present the Brnn. J. D. Siewers and Aug. F. Pfohl.

2. Br. Nathl. Siewers asks permission to make brick for himself at the brickyard between the creek and Em. Reich's house. Board gives its consent on condition that he pay 25 cents for each 1,000 brick that he makes. The condition heretofore existing, that the holes dug by brickmakers must be filled up and that the branch must be turned into the holes (see minutes, Feb. 12, 1868), is hereby repealed as tending only to impede operations, as the earth thrown in would have to be removed again before the bed of clay could be reached. As it is not improbable that Diacony will shortly stand in need of some bricks for paving purposes, an engagement might perhaps be entered into with Br. Siewers to furnish them.

Wed., Sept. 13. Not present Br. Edwd. Blum.

3. The yearly accounts, as also the statement of assets and liabilities of Salem Diacony to Apr. 30, 1871, and the Lovefeast account to the same time were next laid before the Board. From the former it appears that after having added \$1,991 to the Lot fund, the account closes with an excess of disbursements of \$326.01.

Lovefeast account shows an excess of receipts of \$49.97 during the fiscal year, which added to the balance of \$106.61 in its favor at the end of last year increases its credit to \$150.58.

Owing to this statement Board resolved that hereafter the annual payment of \$10 to this account on the part of the Diacony be discontinued, and that part of the credit now standing on the account be used to cover the deficit of \$80.62 on Church expenses.

Respecting the assets and liabilities of the Diacony, Board passed the following resolutions:

The \$656.54 appearing on account of Organ Repairs and 109.00 for Brass Instruments for Church use can be canceled now; \$2,603.62 paid for Church alteration and improvement are to be left standing till the whole amount expended by Diacony for that purpose can be bro't together, which cannot be done before the close of the accounts in the coming year. The \$165.10 on Square account are to be taken off the books by transferring the \$200 of the Square fund to it, as there is no further need of retaining this fund or the Watchman's fund.

It is desirable to pay a note of \$2,000 due Rev. Wm. Ferdinand Bechler, now missionary in South Africa, as soon as it can conveniently be done.

Tues., Sept. 26. Full Board.

2. The yearly accounts of Single Sisters Diacony to Apr. 30, 1871, as also the statement of its assets and liabilities were laid before the Board. The excess of receipts in this time amounted to \$29.17, of which sum \$22.28 will be applied to liquidate the balance of a debt of Traug. Chitty, and the remainder (\$6.89) added to the reserved fund.

Tues., Nov. 7. Not present Br. Edwd. Blum.

2. Br. Em. Reich intends selling his house on the former Shuman plantation and asks whether Board would be inclined to let the purchaser have not only the lot belonging to it, but

also some of the neighbouring fields in fee, in case he should wish to buy them? Board is willing to dispose of the land, but can not determine the price at present, not knowing what particular field would be desired.

3. Upon request of Br. Herman A. Brickenstein, Secretary of the Moravian Publication Office at Bethlehem, Board agreed that a number of volumes of German Congregation Accounts (Gemein Nachrichten) now stored away on the garret of the Single Sisters House, which periodical had formerly been kept for the use of its inmates and which can be read but by a few at this time, be presented to the Moravian Publication Office Library at Bethlehem, that has not yet been supplied with them. Sisters desirous to read the old German Congregation Accounts can procure them from the Salem Archives.

4. As it has become necessary to repair the pavement along the Boys School lot, it was resolved to make a brick pavement on the south side of the lot and use the rough stone now there for repairing the pavement along the west side.

5. Application is made from Winston to have the Depot Street opened to the N. line of our land, with the intention that it be thence continued thro' the adjoining lots to the main street of Liberty. Board has no particular objection that it be opened, but recommends that the line of the street be first run by compass in order to determine the precise point at which it would strike our N. line, and to ascertain whether its continuation in a straight line would meet with the ideas now prevailing of the course it would take.

7. John Banner, trustee of the estate of Const. L. Banner, has again advertised the sale of the house of the deceased. As this house stands on rented land, and as it is desirable to place it on a different footing, Board concluded that the offer be made the trustee that he buy the lot and take a deed for it, in order to be able to make a regular title to the possessions. Board fixed the price of the lot at \$50 per acre, to be laid off so as to connect with the Salisbury road. The rent still due from the estate for the lot must be paid also before a title can be given for it.

Tues., Dec. 12. Full Board.

1. The minutes of last meeting having been read and adopted, it was stated in reference to §5 that Depot Street, on account of the Rail Road, the gully, and the nature of the

ground in general over which it would pass, could not well be carried on in a straight line to our northern boundary. After further conversation on the subject the Brn. Chs. Hauser, J. G. Sides and J. D. Siewers were appointed a Committee to look at the premises and then report to the Board.

2. John Banner, as trustee of C. L. Banner (see §7 of last minutes), has paid the rent due on the lot to Oct. 12, 1867, the day of the sale of the house, and has by advice of counsel concluded to purchase the lot, which has now been laid off agreeably to the resolution of the Board, and contains 3 acres, 50 perches. The contemplated sale of the property has been postponed to next term of Superiour Court, in May 1872.

3. Ben Zevely (coloured) applies for a piece of ground near the African School house beyond the creek, in order to build himself a house. Board is not willing to let him have any land at that place, but has no objection to sell him, say, about $1/2$ acre in the old field S.E. of Em. Reich on the former Shuman plantation. (Passed 5 yes, 1 no.)

6. The Provincial Synod held at the end of November having resolved that a Parochial School for Boys belonging to our Congregations in the Southern District be commenced under the supervision of the Provincial Elders Conference and that it be located at Salem, the present Boys' School house will for the beginning at least have to be used for that school. As the erection of a separate building for that purpose, by subscription, is in agitation, and as it is possible that the old house may be occupied only for a comparatively short time, Board is of opinion that only the most necessary repairs should be undertaken at the house.

Tues., Dec. 19. Full Board.

1. The minutes of last meeting having been read and adopted, the Committee appointed according to §1 of the minutes, reported: that a majority of them had looked at the locality and agreed with the opinion expressed at our last meeting that Depot Street could not be continued in a straight line beyond the R.R. without much difficulty and expense. Committee proposed that a street be laid out along the W. line of Hopkins' field, and be continued in a straight course till it either strike the R.R. or come near it, and then be connected in the best way practicable with Winston 3rd Street, which passes on the S. side of Courthouse square.

Board adopted the proposition and resolved that the street be 50 feet wide, and that the execution of this plan be now given into the hands of the Winston Commissioners (being within their corporate limits) with the understanding that they can have the timber standing on the line of the street.

Provincial Financial Board, 1871
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Thurs., Jan. 12. Br. Rights absent.

1. Br. Isaac Prince has not been able to pay all his Northern debt with the \$75 loaned to him in May last. He would be very glad for an additional loan of \$60. Br. Pfohl, the Treasurer, mentioned that \$35 of the first loan of \$75 had been paid in the course of the year by Bro. Prince. Board granted the additional loan of \$60.

Mon., Feb. 13. Br. Rights absent.

1. As the lots opposite our Church at Kernersville are about to be sold, Board resolved to buy one, containing about one acre, suitable for a parsonage, if the price does not exceed \$100.

Thurs., Apr. 20. Br. Rights absent.

1. Br. E. A. Vogler having resigned his seat as a member of the Financial Board, Bro. Jacob L. Fulkerson was nominated and appointed his successor.

2. Bro. Isaac Prince has sold his old horse for \$55 and bo't a new one for \$140.

3. Bro. Sylvester Wolle, in the name of the Pa. P.E.C., applies for an increased annual contribution on the part of Wa. Sustentation Diacy. to the College and Theological Seminary at Bethlehem. The deficit, which is to be made up annually, amounts to between \$7-8,000. The contribution of our Sustent. Diacy. has been thus far only \$230 per annum, which is out of all proportion, as our District numbers about one-seventh of all the communicants of the whole American Province and requires about the same proportion of ministers. The P.E.C. have considered the application, and believe that an increased contribution from Wa. Sustent. Diacy. should be paid. P.E.C. proposes not to fix upon any regular annual contribution at this time, but to leave that matter for the action of the

Provincial Synod, and merely make an appropriation of \$1,000 for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1871, in lieu of the \$230 hitherto paid. Board agreed to this proposition.

4. The subscription list for 1871 for the support of the minister of Bethania amounts to \$205, of Bethabara to \$30.80; total \$235.80. There are \$22 of last year's subscription, mostly on the Bethabara list, which cannot be collected. These \$22 Treasurer will refund to Bro. Rights.

Tues., May 2. Bro. Rights absent.

1. Bro. Jacob L. Fulkerson, the newly elected member of the Board was present.

2. Bro. Christian Hauser of Bethabara, who owes a note for \$128, on which \$48 interest is due, to Sustent. Diacy., proposes to make over the title to two meadow lots containing about 9 acres near Bethabara to us as additional security for the payment of said note, which is already secured to some degree by our holding the title to about 7 acres of Hauser's land, provided we take the note of a certain man named Simmons in place of Hauser's note, he (Hauser) selling all his interest in said land to said Simmons, with the exception of three acres, which he wishes to retain for himself. As Hauser's note is without security and all the land, now overflowed and overgrown, can only be made of any value by ditching and draining, and Hauser is unable to do this, Board agreed to the proposition, provided Simmons gives a note for \$150 and the balance is paid in cash. Simmons is a man without means, but by draining and ditching, the 13 acres offered as security for the payment of the note may be made valuable.

Thurs., May 18. Br. Rights absent.

1. Christian Hauser will not sell the meadowland (see §2 of minutes of May 2, 1871) to the man Simmons, but after ineffectually trying to sell to J. M. Richmond, has concluded to sell to his son Calvin Hauser, whose note will doubtless be better than Simmons'.

2. On motion it was resolved to liquidate the two unsettled claims against Kernersville Church, for which Dr. E. Kerner has given his note as Chairman of the Building Committee, one of which is now about being pressed for payment. The claims amount to \$50 and \$35.80 respectively. The Treasurer was

directed to pay the money over to Dr. E. Kerner, and thus bring the matter of claims due to outsiders to an end.

Wed., Sept. 13. Br. Rights absent.

1. Calvin Hauser has canceled his father's note by giving his own.

2. John P. Rank owes a note to Susten. Diacy. amounting to about \$247, and furthermore he is indebted to Lewis Hine to the amount of \$171. Now these two debts he wishes to pay by transferring 120 acres of land to Sust. Diacy. and said Hine jointly. Board could not entertain this proposal. The securities on Rank's note are, it is supposed, solvent. Let Rank's securities pay his debt to Susten. Diacy. and take the land, or let Lewis Hine assume Rank's indebtedness and take the land.

Mon., Sept. 25. Br. Rights absent.

1. John P. Rank has not yet come to a final determination in reference to his land and indebtedness.

2. The Treasurer submitted the annual accounts and statement up to May 31, 1871. Inclusive of all contributions, this year's surplus amounts to \$649.03. The statement of assets and liabilities contains quite a number of doubtful assets. The surplus was disposed of in the following manner. Appropriated for the liquidation of Kernersville Church account \$86.80 and of note of Elias Kerner \$331.94; for the reduction of Pa. State Bonds to their par value \$197.50; and added to Provincial Fund \$32.79.

Thurs., Dec. 7. All the members present.

The Financial Board met this evening for the first time since the Provincial Synod of November 1871. The official members, composing the P.E.C., viz., the Brn. S. T. Pfohl and C. L. Rights and E. A. de Schweinitz, were all present, as well as the three newly elected members, viz., the Brn. J. D. Siewers, Henry W. Fries, and Jacob L. Fulkerson. The Board organized by appointing Br. E. A. de Schweinitz Chairman. Br. S. T. Pfohl was appointed Treasurer of Wa. Susten. Diacy.

1. John P. Rank's debt should be collected if no payment is made.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1871

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Thurs., Jan. 12. Visited Brother Lewis Hine at Bethabara. He is down with rheumatism and is suffering acutely. Also visited Allen Color; he has consumption. From here went to brother William Leinback's. On my way I was thrown from my horse, the girth having broke. She ran off and left me lying in the road. Fortunately there were no bones broken. Ahead of me there was a man cutting wood, and when he saw my beast coming he ran ahead and caught her. I found Sr. Leinback still very sick. At six o'clock I performed a marriage ceremony between Mr. William F. Clayton and the Single Sister Susan S. Grabs, oldest daughter of brother Levine Grabs. ([Bethania Report:] About 10 o'clock they were treated to a serenade of tin horns, frying pans and cow bells. Some of the crowd had come seven miles to participate in the entertainment.)

Fri., Jan. 13. ([Bethania Report:] Went with Sr. Rights to Mr. Clayton's wedding dinner, which proved excellent, but the crowning glory in the entertainment consisted in a five dollar bill in the shape of a marriage fee.)

Sun., Jan. 15. A rainy day. The month thus far had been warm and dry, and the roads are in the best condition I have ever seen them this season of the year.

Mon., Jan. 16. This day has been set apart for taking down the Bethabara mill dam, the neighborhood having agreed to pay Mr. Edward Styers, the late purchaser, *Five Hundred Dollars* for permission to take it down.

Tues., Jan. 17. The Bethabara people are busy in taking down the Bethabara mill dam. Today there were about 40 hands. Mr. Styers has sold the wheat mill, and the saw mill frame. He has received \$880 for the dam and machinery sold, and has still the corn mill, cotton gin, carding machines, and sash and saw.

Wed., Jan. 18. Phillip Billeter has bought the Bowser house and moved into it today. Theodore Hine intends taking down the house where Brother Billeter lived and move it to the country. ([Bethania Report:] Bethabara is being gradually pulled down.)

Thurs., Jan. 19. William Glascock moves down to Waughtown from Old Town. ([Bethania Report:] Today I received a

paper from Moravia, Iowa, *The Moravia Vedette*. From that it appears Moravia has a population of five hundred souls.)

Mon., Jan. 30. A cloudy day. There has been only one clear day in almost a week, and the roads are beginning to get muddy. So far they have been dry and firm. On the way passed by where Mr. Edward Styers is ditching the old Bethabara mill pond. So far I see no difference. The whole bottom is still under water. I also met Mr. Solomon Tice. He had a good horse to die for him last Friday, and upon examination he is convinced someone poisoned him, and he is pretty well satisfied it was one of his near neighbors, Ezra Hauser.

Tues., Jan. 31. About 10 o'clock Brother Wesley Spaugh from the Cherokee Mission called in to see us. He came quite unexpectedly.

Sat., Feb. 25. [W]ent to Mr. Kiser's, where there are four down with a new sickness, a kind of bilious colic.

Thurs., Mar. 2. Went to [Ministers] Conference. Learnt that Brother E. A. Vogler had failed. His indebtedness is *thirty-five thousand dollars*. His assets may cover half.

Sun., Mar. 19. The day has been remarkable warm. The peach trees are in full bloom, and the martins made their first appearance on last Wednesday. Spring seems to have set in.

Fri., Mar. 25 [24]. ([Bethania Report:] A number of families have moved in and around town [of Bethabara] to rent and tend the bottom land drained by taking out the mill dam, but as yet the land is under water, and it don't look as if the water was going to get away soon, and I look upon these newcomers as especial candidates for the fever next summer. Mr. Edward Stiers, however, is ditching the pond, and he calculates to get that in cultivation this season.)

([Bethania Report:] *Tues., Mar. 28.* Visited at Brother Martin Holder's, Frank Holder's and Carlos Holder's. Found sick ones at all the places. Went to Allen Color's, and found one sick, and from here to Kiser's, where there are still five down. It is now eight weeks since they were taken, and there is no sign of improvement. Brother Alvin Butner's are worse, too. In fact, there is a great deal of sickness around here now, more than there has been in six years.)

Sun., Apr. 2. Palm Sunday. Brother Edgar Leinbach promised to attend to the reading of evenings [at Bethabara] during the coming week. In the evening commenced reading the Acts of the days of the Son of Man at home [Bethania].

Mon., Apr. 3. Today Brother Edgar [Egbert] Lehman went to Salem to bring up the Church chandelier and fixtures presented to this church by the Ladies Aid Society of Salem.

Tues., Apr. 4. Reading. Used the new lamps for the first time. They did very well. Still, some regretted the absence of the old chandelier after having served for sixty years.

Fri., Apr. 7. Good Friday. Rinehold Oehman came home today from Texas.

Wed., May 3. Floy's birthday, 13 years old. In the afternoon Drs. Keehln and Clewell from Salem came up. Dr. Clewell is hunting a location to practice medicine, having graduated at a medical college in Kentucky. He seems to be a young man of good parts and speaks of locating in Bethania.

Thurs., May 18. On last Tuesday there was a severe hail storm passed over Salem doing considerable damage to the gardens.

Sat., May 20. Last night my wife had a congestive chill, and I had to call in our new Doctor Clewell. He has just located here and with his wife is boarding at brother Levine Grab's.

Sun., June 11. Congregation feast at Bethania. In the afternoon Lovefeast, during which brother Schweinitz read a circular from the P.E.C. in reference to question of the proposed union of the two districts to come up at the Provincial Synod to convene for this district on next November.

Thurs., June 15. ([Bethania Report:] Went on the other end of Germanton to see Em. Perril and Scynthia Shultz, widow of Edmund Schultz. Found them both very sick.)

Sun., June 18. In the afternoon preached at Bethabara and read the circular from the P.E.C. announcing that there will be a Provincial Synod next November, and the question of a Union of the Provinces North and South will come up for final action.

Sun., July 2. A rainy day; no preaching. Sr. R. is very sick. Calvin Butner went to Salem for Dr. Keehln; he promised to come tomorrow. Dr. Clewell is tending on the sick and is doing very well.

Sat., July 8. Sr. Rights and Floy both have intermittent fever, and I have been confined at home all the week.

Wed., July 12. Floy is still sick. Sr. Rights has missed the fever for two days. Dr. Clewell and his wife are both sick, fever.

Mon., July 31. The Female School at Salem begins tomorrow and our youngest child enters, and I took Florence down. Dr. Clewell begins a three month school in town here today.

Tues., Aug. 1. Today Florence goes into the Academy at Salem. The last one is gone, and my wife and I are left alone. How strange, out of four children one is in heaven, two are married and in the service of the Church, and now the babe has gone too, and we are left where we began 29 years ago.

Fri., Aug. 11. Preached at night for the colored people. ([Bethania Report:] They have had meeting every evening during the week.)

Sat., Aug. 12. ([Bethania Report:] Celebrated the festival of the 13th at Bethabara. Preaching, Lovefeast and Communion, and we realized that the Lord was indeed with us at least to some extent as he was in 1727 in Berthelsdorf, and I heard a number say they never had had such a feeling on the 13th before. During the Communion all were melted down to tears, and we all felt that it was good to be here. At night I again preached for the colored people. They seem to have quite a time.)

([Bethania Report:] *Fri., Aug. 25.* Went to Salem after our little daughter. Found her in the sick room, but she went [came] home nevertheless.)

Sun., Aug. 27. Our little daughter is very sick.

Tues., Aug. 29. By invitation went to Doub's Chapel, where Rev. Helsebeck of the Methodist Church has a protracted meeting going on. Considerable interest is manifested in the community, and a number of penitents are seeking for peace. On my return home in the evening I was pleased to find Brother Prince here to spend the night.

Thurs., Aug. 31. Still at the meeting. Several of our young people are with us and one found peace today, and the meeting closed, as Mr. Helsebeck was going to Kernersville to hold a meeting there.

Fri., Sept. 1. This morning I visited Ellen Shore at home. She has been seeking and has not yet found peace. I encouraged her to expect the blessing and prayed with her. In the evening, accompanied by the brethren Alexander Grabs and Rinehold Oehman, went to Shore's again. Found the young woman still in great distress. We united in prayer with her, and during the prayer she found peace and was enabled to testify what great things the Lord had done for her soul, and sisters and brothers (another sister, Isabella, had found peace yesterday) rejoiced together. There were others present, deeply

moved, amongst the rest an old aunt 70 years old, hitherto hard hearted and unfeeling, but she wept like a child.

Sat., Sept. 2. At night I preached by request to the colored congregation over on the hill. They have carried on a meeting among themselves for the last three weeks, and a number have professed. I preach for them whenever I can, and then they keep prayer meeting.

Sun., Aug. 3 [Sept. 3]. Gave out that there would be meeting of a night during the week, and I pray that may do good, for we need it.

Thurs., Sept. 7. Meeting still continues; the church is full. Frances Grabs and Calvin Butner professed.

Fri., Sept. 8. ([Bethania Report:] This morning I went down to brother Levine Grabs's. Their daughter Mary has been much distressed for several days. I found the room door shut, but I heard voices inside, and I gently opened, and there was the mother and daughter upon their knees, and the mother was wrestling in prayer with the Lord for her child as only a mother can pray. I quietly closed the door and retired, for I felt like an intruder in that sacred spot, and wended my way to brother Thos. Lash's, where I encountered almost a similar scene. Sr. Lash told me she had spent the whole night with Ellen in her room praying with her, and I could not tell which seemed the most distressed, the mother or the daughter. In fact, the whole house seemed in mourning, and I felt that I was in a certain sense looked upon as the cause of these troubles, for the remark had been made by a certain person, "He scared them into it, and now he cannot get them out of it." I directed Ellen to the Saviour, and we all knelt down, and I prayed, but still no relief as yet came, and I had to leave, and as I left the house I heard her crying quite loud, and I saw Sr. Lash wringing her hands, and brother Lash had gone to bed sick just from trouble on Ellen's account. I went back to town with a heavy heart, and again went to Brother Grabs's, but the scene had changed. Instead of tears and cries, there was joy and gladness, and Mary could say: Though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me [Isa. 12:1]. In the evening there was meeting again, well attended.)

Sat., Sept. 9. ([Bethania Report:] This morning I again went out to Brother Lash's. Sr. Lash came running down to the gate, and her greeting was: "Good news, sunshine at our house this

morning. Ellen received a blessing just before day, and she wanted to go to town before breakfast to tell you, but I told her you would come." And by this time Ellen saw me, and out she came, and then brother Lash, and sure enough, it was *sunshine* all around. At night meeting.)

Sun., Sept. 10. ([Bethania Report:] As soon as [night] meeting was over, feeling very tired I went to bed and was just in a good sound sleep, when my wife awakened me with: "There is somebody calling you." I listened and heard someone saying, "O, Mr. Rights. O, Mr. Rights." I got up and opened the window and asked, "Who is there?" "John Tice." "What do you want?" "I want you to pray with me. I went home from meeting and went to bed, but I could not stay there. I feel that I am lost, ruined, and undone." I opened the door and let him in. He walked into the room and dropped down on his knees and began to pray in good earnest. Brother Rinehold Oehman and Alexander Grabs came in, and we united in prayer alternately, and in an hour he received a blessing and went home rejoicing to gladden the hearts of his family with the news.)

Mon., Sept. 11. Went to Brother Grunert's reception and ate dinner in the Academy.

Sun., Sept. 17. Married people's feast. Preaching, Lovefeast and Communion, well attended. At night there was meeting. ([Bethania Report:] One of the good effects of the meetings in the past weeks has been cause [for] the members to settle their bickerings and petty quarrels and all come to the Communion, which some had not done for some time.)

Tues., Sept. 19. A little boy, son of Thos. Moser, came to ask me to visit an old lady (Mrs. Whitman). She has been confined to the house two years, and one side is entirely paralyzed. I sung and prayed with her and left her happy in the Lord.

Sun., Sept. 24. Maple Springs camp meeting. Everybody that could go went and left me with a small congregation. In the evening prayer meeting, well attended.

Mon., Oct. 2. Went to Friedland and helped brother Prince in a protracted meeting. Preached at 11 and at night.

Wed., Oct. 4. Returned home from Friedland.

Sun., Oct. 15. Preaching at home in the morning and at Bethabara in the afternoon, and at night Brother Prince preached from Revelation 3:20.

Mon., Oct. 16. Meeting at Bethabara continued.

Tues., Oct. 17. Meeting continued at Bethabara till Friday night. Seven persons professed to have found peace during the week, giving occasion more than once for rejoicing among the angels.

Sun., Oct. 22. [A]t night I went to Old Town to keep meeting, and brother Edmund Petree of Methodist Church being there, I asked him to preach and he did so. During meeting brother Levine Grabs came from Bethania to say that Elmira Schaub was in great distress of soul, and her father wished me to come and pray with her as soon as the meeting was over. I went home and found Elmira at brother Levine Grabs's and the room full of people engaged in singing, and brother Rinehold Oehman had offered prayer on her behalf but still she refused to be comforted. I conversed and prayed with her, but she still could find no peace, and we separated for the night.

Mon., Oct. 23. This morning I called to see Elmira. She said she had spent the night in prayer, but no relief could she find. I encouraged her to persevere and assured her that the promises were sure. We then knelt in prayer, and during the prayer her father came in and knelt by her side, and when we arose from prayer the tears streamed down his face, and it was hard to say which suffered most, the father or the daughter. But the mother never came nigh; she was afraid of it. After some further words of encouragement I left for the country and came back about 11 o'clock, and as soon as I was in the house Elmira came running, her countenance beaming with joy, with the exclamation, "I have found my Saviour, I have found my Saviour just now, up in my room." And away she went down street to tell the news, and with the angels we again rejoiced that another wanderer had come home.

During our revival here six years ago brother Schaub was in the West, and during our meetings some weeks ago he took a stand against them and said he was glad his daughter was gone, and if she would have been here and got down he would have taken her away, and he hoped she had more sense than to suffer herself to be made a fool of in that way. But after she came through I asked him, "Brother Schaub, do you think Elmira has made a fool of herself now?" "No," he said, "I take it all back, and I am glad she has come out in the way she has." So we go. Some censure, some scoff, and some ridicule, but the Word of God is not bound.

During our other revival poor old Naman Reich, the wickedst man in this country, was in the West, and when he came home he said it seemed as though there was a different atmosphere, his old swearing cronies had become praying men, and he felt that he was alone. And it brought him to reflection and repentance. He became [began] to pray and never ceased until he too could say, "I have been with Jesus." And hardened sinner though he had been, his end was peace.

Tues., Oct. 24. Meeting at Bethabara closed.

Sat., Oct. 27 [28]. Meeting commenced at Spanish Grove.

Mon., Tues., Oct. 30, 31. Meeting at Spanish Grove. Eleven persons professed to have found peace. The brethren Prince, Mr. [Michael] Doub, Daniel Doub, John Doub, and Ed Petree took part.

Thurs., Nov. 2. In the afternoon attended the P.E.C. for the last time before the approaching Synod. I have served six years and am willing that someone else shall be in my part of the responsibility.

Sun., Nov. 5. Preaching at home in the morning, at Bethabara in the afternoon, and at the School House at night (Slippery Hill).

Mon., Nov. 27. Provincial Synod at Salem.

Wed., Nov. 29. Provincial Synod closed. New P.E.C.: E. A. Schweinitz, S. Thos. Pfohl, Lewis Rights. Financial Board: Henry Fries, J. L. Fulkerson, and John Seavers. Consolidation laid on the table, to be taken up in two years if the P.E.C. thinks proper.

Thurs., Nov. 30. Preached a Thanksgiving sermon at Salem. We had our first snow today.

Sun., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. The usual services at night, a great many persons present.

Mon., Dec. 25. Christmas day. Preaching at home in the forenoon and services at Bethabara in the afternoon and at night. A very warm Christmas. I saw bats flying in the evening.

Tues., Dec. 26. Christmas celebration at Spanish Grove. Lovefeast for all and wax candles for the children.

Sun., Dec. 31. The weather is very warm, and the people are on their porches like in the summer time this new year's evening, something quite unusual.

Friedberg Diary, with Hope, Macedonia, 1871
[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of R. Parmenio
Leinbach.]

Mon., Jan. 2. Our youngest child [Sophia] has been very unwell.

Sun., Jan. 8. Preached at Macedonia from Acts 20:22-23. There was but a small congregation, as it was not much known. Last Sunday, the regular day for service here, there was a large congregation—and no preacher. During these holidays there have been five days upon which I have had two appointments per diem at different places, and consequently was compelled to neglect one or the other.

Mon., Jan. 23. Sick all day. Took quinine until I was almost drunk.

Tues., Jan. 31. Rain and drizzle, drizzle all day. Painted my lard cans and put meat on garret.

Wed., Feb. 1. Raining, raining all the time. The ground is saturated with water, and yet the rain still comes. There seems to be a desire on the part of the members (some at least) of attaining to a higher standard of Christian life. The trouble is, where so much stress is laid on mere feeling, there is not much conception of a higher standard of holiness. They never get much further than the mere ebullition of feeling, merely to relapse again in the former condition, whatever that may have been.

Thurs., Feb. 9. Had fever at Salem all day. Sent for Dr. Siewers.

Tues., Feb. 21. Today both of our cows were taken sick. This evening one died.

Wed., Feb. 22. Br. Burk brot a man with him and worked hard to save our cow. He was rubbing and drenching, but all in vain.

Thurs., Feb. 23. Last night our cow died.

Sat., Feb. 25. Committee met; could not attend the meeting. The brn. of Committee got up a subscription list to raise money to purchase me another cow. I was very thankful for this token of their good feeling.

Sun., Feb. 26. Was unable to keep meeting. Br. Traugott Spach and Samuel Woosely conducted the services. Fever all night.

Sat., Mar. 4. Writing and binding Diary, and collecting and gathering up the old Memorabilia, etc.

Mon., Mar. 6. About 40 brn. here at work repairing. There was more accomplished than has been done for years. They fixed up fences, filled up this ugly gutter in the yard, topped several trees, and worked on graveyard, etc.

Wed., Mar. 8. Went to Salem to see about procuring a cow.

Thurs., Mar. 9. Returned home.

Sat., Mar. 11. "Last Day's School" here. This is always a nuisance.

Sun., Mar. 12. Raining very hard this morning. After 10 it cleared off, and quite a number came in. Commenced reading Acts of the Son of Man.

Wed., Thurs., Mar. 15, 16. Attended sale at Br. Ben Spach's. Bo't 20 lbs. of clover seed. There was a very large concourse of people there, and it made me feel very sad to think that he who had been so well situated there, and was such an energetic man, and such a faithful Sunday School teacher, should have passed away from us forever, and his property scattered to the four winds of Heaven.

Sat., Mar. 18. A most deliciously rainy day. I always have such a keen sense of enjoyment in the house when it snows, hails, or rains. And the more the wind howls, the greater my sense of comfort, particularly since I have these excellent stoves.

Fri., Mar. 24. Reading Br. Backhoff's Diary to ascertain something about the Jubilee. Ascertained that Br. Levin T. made several mistakes in his data of Friedberg.¹

Sun., Mar. 26. Raining all day. Played melodeon and sang tunes in the church. Read one of Hoffacker's sermons, etc.

Wed., Mar. 29. Have hauled 11 loads of hogstable manure into the field for potatoes.

Sat., Apr. 1. Am trying to bind the Memorabilia, but find great difficulty, as the paper is so old and dry that nothing will adhere to it. If I can get paper pasted so as to remain, I shall easily be able to bind those valuable hinterlassene Schriften [left-behind writings].²

Mon., Apr. 3. Went to Salem principally to ascertain more about the dates of Friedberg history.

¹Levin T. Reichel wrote *The Moravians in North Carolina* for the one-hundredth anniversary of the Southern Province in 1857.

²The Friedberg Memorabilia, 1804-1870, are as R. P. Leinbach left them, glued and bound. They are in the Friedberg records at the Moravian Archives.

Wed., Apr. 5. Overtook "Bachelor" John Spach and gave him a long exhortation. He is the most obstinate or ignorant man I have ever seen. Probably he is both obstinate *and* ignorant.

Sat., Apr. 15. At home all day hunting up the stray Memorabilia leaves and papers, and sorting and binding them.

Fri., Apr. 21. Took Mama down to Mock's, and I remained with children. Sr. Mock died about 4½. Sarah Ann assisted in laying her out.

Sat., Apr. 21 [22]. Took Mama down to Mock's again. She assisted in making the shroud.

Sun., Apr. 22 [23]. Buried Sr. Mock today. Almost as many people as at Easter. ([Friedberg Report:] Text: John 12:24, same as P. Frey's in 1766, 1st funeral occasion at Friedberg.¹)

Thurs., May 4. Was out notifying Committee men to attend the Johnson-Foltz-Seides trial tomorrow. Brn. Seides and Foltz complained that their amiable brother-in-law had spread certain slanderous reports concerning themselves and families whilst in Texas. Said brother-in-law, viz., Br. Johnson, proved himself clear, so parties shook hands and parted. We wish we could add that they had formed themselves into a "mutual admiration society." We fear the reverse is the case.

Thurs., May 11. Today the trial between the brothers-in-law took place, and resulted as stated above.

Thurs., May 18. Ascension day. No service. Had been forgotten.

Sun., June 18. Devoted the whole hour to the discussion of the question of consolidating the two Provinces of the Moravian Churches in America.

Fri., July 14. Thrashed wheat today. From 71 shocks (10 in shock) I realized 25 bushels. None of the neighbors have beaten that.

Sun., July 16. Sunday School and preaching. A good and attentive congregation, i.e., as much as the heat and fatigue allowed people to be attentive. During the summer months there are always certain ones who nod and others who sleep almost the whole time.

Thurs., July 27. Took Levi Padget with [me], and went to Hope to clean up that house (new parsonage). It was a dirty, dusty, stinky, filthy job. The sheep had been using it for years.

¹See *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina*, 1:330.

Fri., July 28. All day yesterday and last night Sophie was so sick that I was compelled to go to the doctor for help for the poor child. Levi, Sandy, and Rebecca Padget went to Hope and finished cleaning up that house.

Sat., July 29. All day I was occupied more or less waiting on our poor little Sophie. She is very ill.

Mon., July 31. At Pleasant Fork. The Protestant Methodists have a protracted meeting there, and I preached there after dinner from Exodus 8:10.

Wed., Aug. 2. Took my family to Salem. Sophie had fever again.

Sat., Aug. 5. Poor little Sophie passed a very restless night. We could not come home today, as she was quite unable to travel. This evening she was free of fever, and I went to Friedberg to go over to Davie. With renewed hope I left Mama and the little ones, looking forward to Monday when I should return and find my baby much improved in health. Alas! I never saw her alive again.

Sun., Aug. 6. Went over to Davie and preached there. According to promise, I took some of the members here [Friedberg] with me and returned the same day.

Mon., Aug. 7. About 4 o'clock a messenger came announcing that my little Sophie was dying. Bewildered and stunned by this most unexpected intelligence, I could hardly collect my faculties to gather what I wanted to take with me. Oh, the agony of that morning! I hurried off as quickly as I could, but did not arrive at Salem until about 4 hours after my child's death.

Tues., Aug. 8. This morning we buried our little Darling. After dinner we returned to Friedberg sad and stricken in heart.

Mon., Aug. 14. This afternoon I went to Hope, and found the work of repairs commenced. Mr. Wm. Miller was at work closing up the north end of the church. The old parsonage was quite removed. The end of the north wall was found so badly decayed that about six feet of it had to be taken out. A frame of stout oak scantling was substituted; the wall was weather-boarded outside and sealed inside and is now sufficiently strong. Whether these repairs will really be productive of much good to the cause of Christ is somewhat problematical, but that much is certain: that the northeast corner of the Church

would soon have rotted down and thus probably caused the ruin of the whole building.

Mon., Aug. 21. Took the Brn. Levi Padget and Chr. Ernst with me to Hope, and cleaned up and whitewashed the church. I worked hard all day—shovelled the plaster that had fallen down in the vestry room out, cleaned the dirt from the garret. The dust was at times so intolerable up there, that I was frequently compelled to come downstairs for fresh air. The church is greatly improved in appearance and condition.

Sat., Aug. 26. Celebrated the Hope festival. Took all my family over. Sr. Phoebe [Philippina] and Becky Padget were also with us. I paid Mr. Miller for work and some materials which he furnished \$17.25 and Br. James Seides \$17.17 for lumber. Each of these individuals contributed about \$3.00 each. These were all the contributions made from that country. The north and south sides or ends are newly weatherboarded; a new porch is made; window panes supplied; the floor repaired; new tablecloth; the inside of the north wall sealed; the walls and ceiling of the church whitewashed; and a new roof over the whole of it. I have thus far paid out \$60.00 plus, of which Sustentation furnished \$25, the Salem Female Academy \$30, and I the rest.

Sun., Sept. 10. Prayer meeting at 9^{1/2}, preaching at 11. Br. Pickens [preached from] Isa. 35:8. Afternoon Br. Jos. Miller [preached from] John 3:14, and at night Br. Prince from Psalms 139:7. The congregation was large all day, and the conduct and attention good.

Sun., Sept. 17. This morning there was prayer meeting. Br. Fishel preached after dinner and again at night. The protracted meeting closed. About 35 professed. I paid Br. Pickens \$6.00, Br. Fishel \$3.00, and Br. Rominger \$1.00 for their services here. This money I raised by taking up collection among the members.

Sun., Sept. 24. Announced my protracted meeting for Hope; solicited help but received none.

Wed., Sept. 27. Br. Levi Padget and myself were at Hope working for the meeting. We put up a bunk for sleeping in the Parsonage, arranged logs for seats, and hauled straw for our bed.

Sun., Oct. 8. Took my family over to Hope to attend protracted meeting there. Took Jacob Foltz along to be my teamster.

Br. Wesley Spach preached at 11, Br. Fishel at 3 P.M. and again at night. I was so hoarse that I could scarcely speak.

Mon., Oct. 9. Prayer meeting. My wife brot our food from Friedberg every morning. We took our meals in the parsonage. One room was used as a kitchen, another as granary, another as bedroom, and the fourth as a woodshed. Br. Levi Padget remained with us as our cook and general housekeeper.

Wed., Oct. 11. There was a very hard rain during service, which continued until night. This broke up our meeting. I was bitterly disappointed, for I had set my heart on having a good meeting over there and receiving some accessions. I went to more trouble and expense than I have ever done for any meeting, and was more sanguine than I have ever been, and to all human seeming the meeting was a *failure*, and yet there has been so much prayer for the meeting.

Thurs., Oct. 12. Went to Hope after my moveables. My horse took fright and started off to Hope alone, leaving me to foot it. When I arrived there too, I found him at the gate patiently waiting for me, and no mischief done. I secured the doors of the house as well as I could to keep out the sheep, and nailed up a window to keep out rain.

Sun., Oct. 22. Went to Macedonia. Br. Bird of the Northern Methodist Church preached an eloquent sermon out in the grove.

Mon., Oct. 23. As there was strong opposition to Br. Bird's preaching on the part of some of the brethren, I requested him not to return to the church, which he complied with.

Wed., Oct. 25. Service all day at Macedonia again. A number of the Brn. at Macedonia have been greatly blessed in their souls, and this meeting seems to have done much good.

Sun., Oct. 29. [At Friedberg] Sunday School. I took the blackboard, and made figures, etc., and tried to interest the scholars, but I gave it up as a hopeless undertaking.

Sun., Nov. 5. Went to Macedonia. Br. Fishel preached this morning. After dinner I kept confirmation instruction there, and at night Br. Fishel preached again. The people seem to hear him gladly, and as I have been preaching there for the last ten years, I am very willing for a season to grant them a change. ([Friedberg Report:] Kept confirmation instruction for nearly 50 persons who had made application to connect themselves with Macedonia. Among these applicants were Mr. Thomas Faircloth, who was living with a woman who was

not his wife, and Cornelia Cope, who had two negro children. Both of these characters were denied the privilege of joining our church.)

Sun., Nov. 19. Baptized and confirmed 31 persons at Macedonia.

Fri., Dec. 1. Snow on the ground.

Fri., Dec. 22. I have been asked to consider the important subject of taking charge of the "Provincial School at Salem." It has caused me many a sleepless hour. Sometimes I have almost obtained the consent of my mind to go, and then again my whole nature revolts at the idea of being daily housed up six or eight hours mit einem Pack ungeschliffenen u. wahrscheinlich ungezogenen Jungens. Es ist eine schwere Frage [with a pack of uncouth and apparently ill-bred youths. It is a difficult question].

Sat., Dec. 23. A drizzly, misty day. According to appointment I went to Hope to keep Christmas services. Found no one there but Br. Wesley Boner with the cakes and a little boy.

Kernersville Diary, with Friedland, 1871

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Isaac Prince.]

Mon., Jan. 16. A mournful event occurred today. J. Hester, a merchant of Kernersville who lately became bankrupt, was found near the village with his throat cut. From all indication he committed the act of self-destruction at about noon.

Tues., Jan. 17. By request of the bereaved wife and other friends of J. H. Hester, conducted the burial service, seeking to warn those present against strong drink, which led to Hester's suicide.

Tues., Jan. 25 [24]. Drew up a petition to the General Assembly of the State, praying for the incorporation of the village of Kernersville, as the citizens are desirous to suppress the retailing of spirituous liquor. Only 5 male citizens refused to sign the petition, while it had 37 signers. ([Kernersville Report:] The suicide of Hester has convinced them that something must be done to suppress intemperance.)

([Kernersville Report:] *Fri., Feb. 10.* Prof. Ray and family moved into a part of the house occupied by us at Kernersville. About 10 of the Friedland members began shingling the roof of their church.)

([Kernersville Report:] *Thurs., Feb. 16.* Conducted the prayer meeting at Kernersville, which was very slimly attended, but could not find fault with the people, who had gone to witness a Scriptural Magic Lantern exhibition.)

Tues., Mar. 21. Sold the old horse Napper for \$55.

Tues., Mar. 28. Visited a family ([Kernersville Report:] Mr. Price) that lately moved to this neighborhood from Missouri.

([Kernersville Report:] *Mon., Apr. 3.* Julius Harmon cut himself quite severely with an axe this evening, which will probably lay him up some time.)

Sun., Apr. 9. Easter Sunday. ([Kernersville Report:] Was aroused at 4 by a serenade from the Band. A lovely Easter morning. Held a short meeting, and at sunrise assembled in the graveyard. The service was thronged, but considerable commotion was caused by several persons fainting during the reading of the Litany. At 8 started for Friedland, where the Easter morning service and preaching was held.)

Tues., Apr. 11. By permission of P.E.C. purchased a dark bay mare of Mr. Cruse for \$140.00. Named her Brunette.

Sun., Apr. 30. In the afternoon held a cottage meeting at Mr. [Moses] Hastings' about 2 miles from Kernersville. ([Kernersville Report:] A great many of the villagers walked out to attend the service, so that the audience was unexpectedly large.)

Mon., May 1. Town officers were elected in Kernersville this evening. Mayor: Mr. Armfield. Commissioners: J. C. Roberts, J. Plunkett, A. D. Lindsey, J. J. Kerner and N. M. Kerner. Constable: Winslow Smith.

Sun., May 7. Service and S.S. at Friedland. Mr. Swain, an illiterate man, preached for the people.

Sun., May 28. In the afternoon preached at Dover Stand about 4 miles from Kernersville on the road to Greensboro. ([Kernersville Report:] This stand was recently erected through the influence of some ladies who deplore the lack of religious privileges in their neighborhood and who expressed a wish to have me preach once a month for them.)

([Kernersville Report:] *Mon., May 29.* More sickness seems to prevail in the Kernersville neighborhood this spring than has been known for many years. Whooping cough, mumps and summer complaint are to a great extent epidemic.)

Fri., June 23. The commencement of Mr. Ray's school was held in the Moravian Church. Col. Gilmore of Greensboro delivered the literary address.

Mon., Aug. 7. Dr. Bahnson and Br. James Leinback having paid me a visit, I accompanied Dr. B. to Friendship district, where he had several patients.

Tues., Aug. 15. Had the pleasure of conversing with a Christian who was not a complainer but one whose experience leads her to desire blessings from seemingly adverse Providences.

Wed., Aug. 16. ([Kernersville Report:] Received a present of 25 Moravian hymn books for the S. School from the scholars of the South Bethlehem S. School through Miss A. T. Jones.)

Sun., Aug. 27. Preached to a good congregation in Kernersville and used the new hymn books for the 1st time.

Sun., Oct. 1. Rode to Friedland, and began a protracted meeting. . . .

Mon., Oct. 2. Br. Rights came the forenoon to assist me. He preached at 11 A.M. and at night. His sermons were earnest, pointed and powerful, but all his appeals seemed to fall on hearts steeled against the truth.

Tues., Oct. 3. Br. Rights and self walked over to the church at 10. There were scarcely any in attendance but the members. After preaching we concluded to close the series of meetings.

Thurs., Oct. 5. Through the kindness of Br. E. and Sr. Leinback, who kindly proffered a room and board in their family, I made arrangements to spend the winter in Salem.

Fri., Oct. 13. Rode over to Salem and began boarding with Br. Edwd. Leinback's family.

Thurs., Oct. 19. Went to Friedland to hold a meeting of the church for the consideration of the church union question. There were 15 brethren present or represented. A vote was then taken upon the question of union, 9 voting for and 6 against.

Fri., Oct. 20. Had Mrs. Olzowski's papers filled up and certified before a Justice of the Peace and clerk of the Superior Court.

Thurs., Nov. 16. Attended court to substantiate charges of misdemeanor brought against a young man during the lovefeast on Monday. Not wishing to adopt extreme measures, pleaded for him, in consequence of which no presentation was made.

Sat., Nov. 18. Returned to Salem, stopping at Moses Stewart's. He had something like a stroke of palsy, seems very humble and penitent, and wished to be restored to membership in the church.

Sun., Nov. 19. [H]eld a meeting of the [Friedland] church Committee. It was resolved at this meeting to restore Moses Stewart to church membership, and the Committee agreed to do what they could in supplying wood for the church fires and urging the work of renewing the church roof.

Thurs., Nov. 30. In the afternoon received the sad intelligence of my mother's death at the age of 68. It snowed nearly the whole evening and was exceedingly cold and unpleasant.

Wed., Dec. 6. Sent Lewis (colored) to the Waughtown blacksmith to have Brunette shod.

[New] Philadelphia Diary, 1871

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Jan. 1. Preached to quite a good congregation, altho' there was a burying of a well-known neighbor woman quite near. Communicated the statistics of the congregation and of the Province from memory, having forgotten to take a copy with me.

Sun., Sept. 3. The colored elder, Alex Gates, accompanied me to hold meeting at Crater's Schoolhouse, where there is a good deal of interest manifested at present. Preached to a pretty good audience, after praying the Church Litany, on 2 Cor. 4:5.

Sun., Oct. 8. On my way to Phila. visited Jos. Holston, who for 19 years [has been] confined to his bed.

Sun., Oct. 22. Br. Alex Gates (colored) drove to Phila. with me. [H]eld a Congregation Council, at which the question of Union was discussed. Br. Thomas Spach was duly elected delegate to represent the Phila. congregation at the coming Provincial Synod. The Council deemed it best, having full confidence in their delegate, not to instruct him positively to vote for or against union, but to act according to his own judgment after a full discussion of the matter in Synod. There was no opposition manifested to the union of the 2 districts; on the contrary, all the members seemed to think that it might prove of benefit to the congregations of our district.

[The Amnesty Act restored civil rights to citizens of the southern states. Congress authorized the first national park at Yellowstone, Wyoming.

The University of North Carolina trustees voted to admit white women.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1872

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

During the course of the year our government received embassies from that interesting people, the Japanese, and from several Indian tribes. Our present position and policy towards those heathen nations, which of late years have been visiting our shores, and those heathen tribes that still exist in our midst, are matters of interest and importance. The Chinese, especially, who have been immigrating to this country in large numbers and have opened their heathen temples and worship their heathen gods among us, while they are much sought after as laborers and servants, receive also a share of attention to their spiritual wants, and every Christian philanthropist will certainly pray that the intercourse of our people both with oriental and occidental heathen tribes may tend to elevate, civilize, and Christianize them, and that from this land many may yet return to their own as missionaries of the true faith to assist in hastening the coming of that day when the whole "earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea" [Hab. 2:14].

While the various works of internal improvement have been continued and the extreme limits of this vast continent are fast being linked together and immigrants from other lands are still pouring in to fill up the unoccupied portions of this [land], our relations with the great foreign powers are friendly and gratifying. By the successful termination of the Geneva Conference, the world has seen that it is possible for two nations to settle their difficulties amicably, and by the peaceful manner in which we have emerged from an exciting presidential contest, a new assurance has been given of the possibility of republican government.

A most sad and deeply tragical occurrence, however, was the death of the unsuccessful candidate, Hon. Horace Greeley,

who after having raised himself by his great abilities to a high position as the leading journalist of the country and having displayed amiable qualities as well as shining talents, exhausted by the arduous labors of the presidential canvass and afflicted by the death of his beloved wife, closed his brilliant career even before the Electoral College could meet and vote.

The general health of our town has not indeed been as good as we could have desired. A new and strange epidemic appeared in the month of June which was very painful and prostrating and prevailed extensively, afflicting young and old, but in no case proving fatal.

The appearance of our town has been improved by the erection of buildings and otherwise. We mention particularly the enlargement of the old building of the Female Academy, a work of considerable magnitude but successfully completed by the blessing of the Lord. Not only has the appearance of the building been much improved, but its internal capacities increased, and we thankfully note this improvement as a token of the continued prosperity of this time-honored institution. A large number of pupils have again attended its sessions and have given evidence of their industry and improvement at the usual summer and Christmas Entertainments. May their sojourn among us have proved a blessing to them all in every respect!

In this connection we note also the opening of the Provincial Male Academy in accordance with a resolution of our last Provincial Synod. Br. R. P. Lineback, the pastor of the congregation at Friedberg, having accepted a call to the principal of this new institution, which is designed for the benefit of the male youth of all our congregations as well as of others who may wish to attend, removed to Salem with his family, and the first session was opened on the 16th of April with ten pupils. Since then their number has increased so greatly that an assistant has been employed in giving instruction as well as the principal. The number of pupils in attendance at the close of the last session was 43. This school, if well supported, will supply a great want of this Province in affording the opportunity of obtaining a good Moravian education to our boys and young men, as was the case formerly.

While in our vicinity and elsewhere there were those who suffered damage to their property and substance, we were spared in general, so far as is known, any extensive infliction

of loss. The dwelling house of one of our members (Emanl. Reich) on the outskirts of town was seriously threatened May 14th by the burning of an outbuilding (smoke house) in close proximity to the house, which, however, was mercifully spared, as the flames were checked before they could reach it. A burglary in the month of January threatened another of our brethren (Wm. Vogler) for a time with the loss of valuable property, which was, however, for the most part subsequently recovered.

During the past weeks considerable inconvenience has been experienced from the prevalence of an epizootic disease—a kind of influenza, running at the nose with cough and other symptoms requiring good care and nursing—among those useful and faithful animals of the equine genus, whose worth has thus been brought into special prominence. Commencing in the Northern states it has spread over the whole country, and in some places has proved fatal to a considerable number.

Besides the regular seasons and stated times of divine service, there were also special occasions of interest and edification. Such was the jubilee anniversary of the Female Foreign Missionary Society on Jan. 6th.

It is particularly interesting that on the next day a Juvenile Missionary Society was organized among the scholars of the Sunday School. It has held quarterly meetings, the president and other officers being members of the school, and has raised by collection at each meeting between 70 and 80 dollars during the year. This nice amount has been sent to various places among our foreign missions and elsewhere where help was needed and where it was doubly welcome since it came from the hearts and hands of the children at home. One of the lady teachers has been appointed visitor of the poor in our neighborhood, and a committee of active members of the Society assists her in supplying them, in as far as means will allow, with articles of clothing and other necessities of life.

The other societies in existence among us have continued their usual work. The Bible Society has completed the canvass of the county commenced last year. The Home Mission Society still supports the mission at Mt. Bethel, Va., which continues to flourish but needs and deserves the active interest and liberal contributions of all our members. The Poor Fund has continued its distributions according to ability. The Young Men's Missionary Society held its anniversary on Saturday,

Jan. 20th, the address being delivered by the minister of the Presbyterian Church in Winston, Rev. Mr. Johnson of Lexington. The Society has made its usual donations during the year, and the good work at home has been promoted by the continuance of the reading rooms, which have recently been removed to the Museum building, where they offer a pleasant and profitable place of evening resort to our young friends, which ought to be well patronized by all who would spend their evenings profitably.

The various foreign mission fields of our church have been again brought to our notice by these different Societies, as well as by the monthly missionary prayer meeting, interest being specially directed to a new enterprise in South Africa, the new work in Bohemia, and the mission among the Cherokee Indians. The president of our P.E.C. made a visitation to the distant scene of our labors during the month of May and June, returning in safety to our midst after his long and arduous journey. The mission prospers notwithstanding the severe experiences of the late war and the present unsettled state of the Indian population, and a new station is to be commenced. Interesting information with reference to this mission was communicated by the president of P.E.C. to the Female and Juvenile Missionary Societies, and also to a meeting of the Male Missionary Society (or Society for the Furtherance of the Gospel), of which he was elected chairman on Oct. 3d. This meeting was held by appointment for the purpose of reorganizing this Society, which had been suspending its labors for a time. We regret to state that it was not very largely attended, and hope that our brethren will in future more zealously emulate the good example of the *Female* Missionary Society.

An occasion of pleasant social and brotherly intercourse was the jubilee or golden wedding of one of our married couples, [the] Chrn. Heges, at which many rejoiced with them in the goodness and mercy of the Lord and commended them to his protecting care and blessing for the rest of their days. Several jubilee birthdays also occurred during the year, affording likewise pleasant opportunities for friends and relatives to rejoice with them that did rejoice: Mrs. S. A. de Schweinitz, Mrs. Fulkerson, Mrs. L. Ebert, Mrs. L. Fockel, Dr. T. F. Keehln, Mrs. M. R. Crist.

Salem Diary, 1872

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sat., Jan. 6. Epiphany. Last night a burglary was committed here at the jewelry store of Br. Wm. Vogler, from which articles were taken to the amount of several hundred dollars. He had just commenced business for himself, and this is a very severe blow. The grocery store of B. F. Crosland, in the same building, was also broken into and robbed of money, etc. This has been the first case of the kind that has occurred here. May it be the last also!

At 7 P.M. the Salem Female Missionary Society celebrated its jubilee anniversary. It was organized Jan. 6th, 1822. A pyramid had been made and placed on the upper platform of the pulpit (from which the desk was removed). The passage, "Go ye into all the world," etc., etc., appeared on the pyramid in illuminated letters. Four long festoons of evergreen hung from the keystone of the arch to the galleries, and the number 50 was placed at the top, in white. All of the gas baskets were trimmed with evergreen, and those at the pulpit with artificial flowers also. Br. E. A. de S. presided, being the President of the Society. Br. O. made the address. Besides the report of the Secretary, a letter from Br. Tappe at the Leper Hospital in Jerusalem, Palestine, was read.

Sun., Jan. 7. At 1 P.M. the S. School met to organize as a Juvenile Missionary Society. One of the oldest boys was President, and two of the girls Secretary and Treasurer. A collection was taken up amounting to \$21.11, \$10 of which were voted to the Leper Hospital, and \$10 to Br. Saml. Warner. May this encourage our children and youth to take a lively interest in the missionary cause!

Wed., Jan. 10. The burglar has been discovered, or at least one of them, as he says that he had a companion. The goods have been recovered, and he goes to jail. May this be a warning to our young people of the danger attending a careless and dissolute manner of life. The perpetrator should have been far above anything of the sort. The Lord in mercy open his eyes, and bring this wandering sheep again to his fold!

Mon., Jan. 15. The weather continues cold. But we have had some most delightful mild days, just like spring, so that some ploughing has been done and a little rough spading, grape vines trimmed, etc. A new pig sty has been built on the

parsonage lot—more easy of access from the house than the other, which was at the lower end of the garden. A new roof was put on the woodshed. The porches at the Sustentation house were repaired some time ago.

Thurs., Jan. 18. In the evening Br. O. kept S.S. teachers meeting, and there was choir practicing.

Sat., Jan. 20. A wire walker performed in town this P.M. to an admiring crowd. His receipts are said to have been about \$67. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the annual Lovefeast of the Young Men's Missionary Society. The attendance was large. Rev. [blank] Johnson of the Presbyterian church delivered the address. (A large white owl has been purchased by the Society for the Museum, and is on exhibition there, still living. It is a very rare bird in these parts.) (Its being so far south may perhaps be recorded as one sign of an unusually severe winter.) The past week has been a cold one again. On Friday ice was hauled again, about 2 in. thick.

Mon., Jan. 29. At 7 P.M. the Directors of the Poor Fund had a meeting at Br. O.'s. There are some 12 or 14 persons who receive assistance.

Wed., Jan. 31. Still cold (about 16° above zero at 7 or 8 A.M.). A large number of persons were out on the ice at the paper mill, also the pupils of the Academy. There has not been such thick ice for years. It is reported from 3 to 6 inches.

Thurs., Feb. 1. Br. Lineback, pastor at Friedberg, has accepted a call as Principal of the new Provincial School, which is to be commenced at Salem.

Fri., Feb. 2. [I]t began to snow, and continued during the rest of the day and through the night, with high wind, sleet, and in the night thunder and lightning. This is the deepest snow of the winter with us.

Sat., Feb. 3. This morning it was still snowing until about 10 A.M. Sleighs run very well.

Sat., Feb. 10. Mud abounds, as Br. O. found on repairing to Winston to visit the brother who is now in jail, whom, however, he did not see, as the jailer was not there.

Thurs., Feb. 22. Washington's birthday passed in silence. At night the boys had some demonstration or other on Main St., perhaps a torch-light procession. The bro. (now excluded) in "carcere" has tried to effect his escape, and had almost succeeded when he was discovered. He is now subjected to more rigorous confinement.

Sat., Feb. 24. Br. and Sr. O. spent part of the evening at Br. and Sr. Christian Hege's, who celebrated their Golden Wedding today. There was a large gathering of relatives present. After supper we sang several benedictory verses for the celebrants, and commended them to the Lord in prayer.

Sat., Mar. 2. This morning there was the deepest snow that has been seen here for 10 or 12 years. It had been drifted badly too, and was almost two ft. deep in some places, so that paths had to be made with a snowplow to which horses were attached. It continued to snow during most of the A.M.

Thurs., Mar. 7. [T]here was a meeting of the (male) Missionary Society, which has not met for several years. There was only a small number present, but it was resolved to hold the regular meeting on the first Thursday of October next, and continue the work of the Society.

Thurs., Mar. 21. The Sustentation house is being put in order for Br. Parm. Leinbach, who will occupy it as Principal of the Provincial School.

Fri., Mar. 22. It snowed smartly from about 1 P.M. to between 7 and 8 P.M. The wind has ceased. Truly a long winter and a late spring. Fuel and hay have been consumed in unusual quantities.

Sat., Mar. 23. The snow of yesterday disappeared during the day. At 10 A.M. there was a meeting of the officers of the Forsyth Co. Sunday School Union, and at 1 P.M. a Lovefeast for the members of the Union in our chapel.

Mon., Mar. 25. Yesterday we heard that the bro. "in carcere" had escaped.

Sat., Mar. 30. Great Sabbath. At 2 P.M. we had the usual lovefeast, kept by Br. O. About 80 invitation tickets were issued. New cake baskets were used, smaller than the old ones, which can be passed into the seats, and seem to answer very well.

Sun., Mar. 31. Easter Sunday. The congregation was aroused as usual by the performance of church tunes on the brass instruments. Just about 5 o'clock there was a slight shower, and as the ground was wet and the weather threatening, we read the Easter Morning Litany in the church at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. The attendance was pretty good, although many probably were not there on account of the weather.

Sat., Apr. 6. During this week the parsonage underwent the semi-annual infliction of "house-cleaning."



Moravian ministers: Above: Albert L. Oerter, who was in his 30s when he was pastor of the Salem (Home) Church, 1870-1877. Below: R. Parmenio Leinbach, who served several country congregations in his pastorate, 1859-1892.



Sun., Apr. 7. At 1 P.M. the S. School met for the second time as a Juvenile Missionary Association. A donation of \$15 was made to the Bohemian mission.

Wed., Apr. 10. Last Saturday the widowed sr. Waggoman had a cancer cut out of her right cheek. This is the second time she has had it done, and both operations have been successful. She was sitting up today and feels as well as can be expected.

Tues., Apr. 16. The new Provincial School, or Moravian Male Academy, was opened at 10 A.M. by suitable exercises conducted by Br. Schweinitz. Br. R. P. Lineback is principal. There were 10 scholars present, most of the boys attending other schools.

Sun., Apr. 21. A most lovely spring day. The face of Nature is beautiful now, fruit trees all in full bloom, grass growing finely, etc., etc. At 1 P.M. there was S. School, and at the same time the fifth anniversary of the Elm St. S. School, which has increased so much that it has been necessary to enlarge the building in which it was held (the free school house).

Sun., May 5. At 10 A.M. Br. R. P. Lineback kept the Litany and preaching, at which there was a very good attendance. (Ex-Gov. Vance, who had delivered a lecture in Winston last evening, was in the audience.)

Thurs., May 9. Ascension Day. There was no Ascension service today; the subject will be treated next Sunday A.M.

Tues., May 14. This P.M. there was an alarm of fire. It proved to be over at Br. Emanuel Reich's (beyond the creek), where the smoke house was accidentally ignited by a piece of meat falling into the fire. As the dwelling was quite near, it might have caught too, but the Lord mercifully averted such a serious calamity.

Sat., May 25. A telegram from Washington city, whither Br. Aug. T. Zevely, M.D., had gone a few weeks ago on a visit to his brother for the benefit of his health, announced his death on yesterday morning, and that his daughter Ellen and nephew E. T. Blum, who had been with him, would come with the remains on Sunday morning.

Sun., June 16. A new and strange complaint has been and is afflicting several persons. It is a kind of cramp in the stomach, then proceeding to the shoulders, back and limbs. The patient is quite prostrated for a day or two, then gradually recovers. Children are affected as well as adults. [A]t 7 1/2 P.M. Br. O. read from the *Memorial Days* the account of the beginning of Herrnhut. He had also referred to it in the A.M., preaching

from Matt. 5:14 (second chance), as tomorrow will be the 150th anniversary of the day on which the first tree was felled. There being no organist here at present (the two brn. who have that office being on a visit at the North), we had no organ in the A.M. service, a very unusual thing here.

Sun., June 23. At 10 A.M. Br. O. kept the morning service, attendance being small on account of the prevailing epidemic. During the past week there have been nearly 100 cases. The patients seem to suffer on alternate days as in chills and fever.

Sun., June 30. The sickness still continues and is very violent in some cases.

Sun., July 14. Cloudy again, and rain after preaching. There is abundance of rain this season, and the heat has not been as oppressive here as in the North, where it is fearful in the cities, causing numerous deaths from sunstroke.

Sun., July 21. The attendance was pretty good, most of the sick having recovered, although there is still considerable sickness in town, still a few cases of the new disease, some of fever, etc.

Sun., July 28. At 1 P.M. there was S. School. A new cabinet organ, purchased with the proceeds of a fair held recently, was used for the first time.

Sun., Aug. 4. At 10 A.M. Br. Chas. Kremer, one of the students at Bethlehem, preached to a good audience. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. preached to a rather thin audience. There was preaching in the District school house by Br. R. P. Lineback for the poor people in Factory Row, etc.

Sun., Aug. 18. At 10 o'clock Br. O. read the Litany and preached to a rather smaller audience than usual. Sickness probably kept some at home, as the fever is very prevalent, and a camp meeting at Maple Springs perhaps drew others.

Sun., Sept. 8. Married People's and Widowers' Festival Day. At 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. Br. O. kept the first meeting of the Married People and Widowers. The number present was not very large. Some were no doubt kept at home by sickness. The children came in as usual, and sang Nos. 327 and 606 after the prayer. At 10 A.M. Br. Schweinitz read the Litany and preached to a pretty good audience. At 2 P.M. Br. O. kept the Lovefeast, which was opened by the performance of a choral by the instruments without the organ. At 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. kept the Choir Communion, assisted by brn. Schweinitz and Lineback, and at

7 P.M. the closing service of the day and of the Choir festival season.

Thurs., Oct. 3. Re-organization of Male Foreign Mission Society, or Society for the Furtherance of the Gospel (meeting in the Infant class room, kept by E. A. de S.).

Sun., Oct. 13. A collection was taken up for the Home Mission at Mt. Bethel, Va., amounting to \$62 plus. It was taken up (as an experiment) in the church during the closing hymn.

Wed., Oct. 23. We have this week the equinoctial storm, which is about a month later than usual, corresponding with the lateness of the spring and backwardness of the whole season.

Mon., Nov. 4. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the monthly missionary prayer meeting. The attendance was small. After a short address, the last news from Bohemia was communicated, which is of a cheering nature, as the interference of the local authorities at Pottenstein with our meetings is disapproved of by the government at Vienna, and our brn. will be protected from further persecution. (This has been effected by the aid of the Princes Henry IV and VII Reuss, and General von Schweinitz, Prussian ambassador at Vienna.)

Sun., Nov. 17. This day 119 yrs. ago the first brn. arrived in Wachovia. The fact was alluded to in both services, and exhortation given to remember why the Lord had sent our brn. to found these congregations, and to walk worthy of our high calling and goodly heritage.

Sun., Nov. 24. During the singing of the last hymn the annual collection for the Bohemian mission work was taken up, amounting to \$57.39. The last collection was taken up in the same way as a trial, and it seems to be a better plan than that of taking it at the door.

Sun., Dec. 8. Within a week or two a disease has appeared among the horses in town and throughout the state, which has spread thither from the Northern states, where it prevailed to a great extent. It is a kind of influenza which requires care in the treatment of those affected, exemption from work, and good nursing. It does not prove fatal, in general, but occasions some inconvenience.

Fri., Dec. 13. This A.M. was the coldest we have had this winter, 10° F. Bro. O. and a number of others had "hog-killing." Other days of this and the past weeks have been spent in the same manner by those who had fat porkers.

Thurs., Dec. 19. Rain, changing to sleet and snow. The roads, which have been good so unusually long, will now probably become heavy.

Thurs., Dec. 20. At 2 P.M. Br. O. opened the Xmas Entertainment of the Infant School in their schoolroom. There have been 14 scholars this session. They recited and sang Xmas verses as usual, and answered questions on the birth of Christ very promptly. At the close they received cakes and candles. At 7 P.M. was the Entertainment in the Academy.

Tues., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. The sky was threatening, a slight sprinkling of snow was on the ground, but a number of little ones and babes with their mothers came to the Children's Lovefeast at 4:30 P.M., which was kept by Br. O. in the usual manner. At 7 P.M. the usual service was held by Br. O. The church was filled, a large number of guests being present (203 tickets were issued).

Wed., Dec. 25. At 2 P.M. the Elm St. Sunday School had an Xmas Entertainment, which was very creditable to them. At the close they received cakes and lighted wax candles. At 7 P.M. a Christmas carol was sung in the Female Academy, which was also well attended, notwithstanding the continuing snow storm.

Thurs., Dec. 26. Br. O. spent the morning in shoveling the snow from the pavement before the parsonage and in making paths in the yard. As a crust of sleet had formed on top and some was also mingled with the snow, it was tough work. The weather moderated today. Yesterday all day it was 14° or 15° F.

Sat., Dec. 28. This was the coldest morning of the winter thus far. Thermometers ranged from 5° or 6° to 10° at an early hour. The snow still lies frozen and hard; ice on the ponds is thick, and a number of skaters and others made an excursion to Belo's pond.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1872

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

January. Meetings as usual by Elder A. Gates. The Rev. Mr. Albea preached once or twice on the Lord's days during this month.

February. Meetings as usual by Elder Gates. Weather often unfavorable. Conferences with colored Elders were held from [time] to time during the winter.

March. Meetings by Elder A. Gates. On March 24, Palm Sunday, Elder Gates began the reading of Acts of Son of Man and continued the same on Monday night. On Tuesday, *March 26*, Br. E. A. de S. conducted the reading, which Elder Gates continued on Wednesday. On Maundy Thursday there was no service, but on *March 29*, Good Friday, the usual service was held at 2 P.M. by Elder Gates. On *March 31*, Easter Sunday, Br. M. E. Grunert prayed the Easter Morning Litany and then preached to a good congregation.

Sun., May 5. Br. E. A. de S. held a preparatory meeting at 10 A.M., which was well attended. At 1 P.M. followed the confirmation of the young brother George Eccles and the celebration of the Holy Communion. About 25 persons or more communed. George Eccles seems truly desirous to be a true follower of the Lord. Br. E. A. de S. had instructed him previous to his confirmation. He had been baptized in infancy in the Methodist Church. This is the 1st accession to our congregation for a long time.

May and June. During the months of May and June the meetings were regularly attended to by Bro. Alex Gates. Several colored ministers of other denominations preached at various times in the church. Br. E. A. de S. was absent for 6 weeks, and hence could not preach.

Sun., July 14. On this day at 2 P.M. at Crater's School-house, 6 miles from Salem, where Br. Alex Gates has been laboring for some time among the colored people of the neighborhood, Br. E. A. de S. confirmed Will. Lash and baptized Anna Hauser, Mary Luster Bitting, and Mary Bitting. These 4 persons seem very sincere in their profession, and by their confirmation and baptism have become members of our Church. They will be considered as members of the colored congregation at Salem. After the first meeting the Holy Communion was celebrated with the 4 new converts and 13 others. The Brn. Alex Gates and Lewis Hege were present. The presence of the Lord in our midst was sensibly felt. There was a large attendance of colored and white people at the first meeting.

August to November. After a series of meetings in the Church conducted by the Elders, complaints were made by the

neighbors of the noise and disturbance at night occasioned thereby. This caused dissatisfaction to the Elders and people, and no meetings were held in the Church until the middle of November. The regular meetings were then reinstituted and held as usual. Sr. Traugott Crist faithfully continued to superintend the S. School.

December. Meetings regularly held. *Sun., December 22,* Br. Schwitz. preached at 10 A.M. to a very small congregation, the morning being very cold. At 1 P.M. Br. Schwitz. presided at a lovefeast, got up by the members of the Church. After the lovefeast the Holy Communion was administered. Twenty-five communicants, including 3 white sisters and several members of other churches, were present. At 7 P.M. Br. Schwitz. held a Christmas meeting designed especially for the S. School. An anthem was sung by the scholars and after an address and prayer, candles were distributed during the singing of Xmas hymns. May the services of this day have been a source of blessing to many.

Provincial Boys School, 1872

[The following is extracted from the Private Diary of R. P. Leinbach, headmaster of the newly opened Provincial Boys School in Salem.]

Tues., Apr. 16. Today the School was opened. Present were Br. E. A. de Schweinitz, Br. S. T. Pfohl, Br. Grunert, and Br. Oerter. Present were the scholars Henry Fries, Charles Shore, Francis Grunert, William Shore, John P. Snider, George Shore, John Brietz, William Henry Winkler, James Lewis Winkler. Br. Schweinitz opened with singing and prayer, after which he addressed the scholars in a familiar and peculiarly appropriate manner.

Thurs., Apr. 18. Today I chased a "mouse" from under George Shore's coat. The poor boy was much exercised about it, and shed a quantity of tears.

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1872
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., Jan. 30.

2. Church discipline must be exercised in the case of . . . the Single Br. Jacob Siewers, who has been indicted for burglary. . . .

Tues., June 25.

The Board had an interview with Br. Allan Spach relative to a paper containing certain charges against him, sent to this Board by Br. E. A. Vogler.

Br. S. denies having made the statements attributed to him, and is willing to sign a statement to that effect. Chairman will draw up such a statement.

Thurs., Sept. 5. Br. Spach absent.

After a lengthy conversation with regard to the memorial of Br. E. A. Vogler, the Board resolved: That as we have no reason to doubt his integrity, and as no charges of fraud or dishonesty have been preferred against him to this Board, an examination of his books by us appears improper and uncalled for. Resolved: 2.) That Board does not feel called upon to discipline Br. A. A. Spach for such expressions of opinion as he admits having made, he having moreover assured the Board that he did not entertain bitter feelings towards Br. E. A. Vogler. Resolved: 3.) That we highly disapprove of expressions of spite and malignity, especially in the church, and will endeavor to prevent their recurrence.

2. With reference to the last point, the Pastor will have a private interview with Sr. Spach.

Tues., Oct. 15.

The Pastor reported his interviews with Br. E. A. V., and Br. and Sr. A. Spach, which were as satisfactory as can be expected.

Mon., Dec. 30.

3. As it has been found by experiment that collections are better when taken up in the Church than when taken at the door, they will henceforth be taken up during the closing hymn.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1872
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., Feb. 20. Full Board.

1. The street along Hopkins' line spoken of last time has now been laid out and bro't into connection with 3rd street, both meeting at the Rail Road. Winston town commissioners wish now to clear out Church Street throughout its whole length to the contemplated width of 50 feet, to which Board has no objections. They also request that Board would rescind the resolution passed on Oct. 20, 1870 (§5), asking \$10 for timber standing along 7th street, running along the N. line of our land. Board, looking upon it as a matter of but little moment, rescinded the resolution.

Board further resolved that all streets contemplated near the R.R., i.e., east of Church Street, be now laid out and opened if Winston Corporation sees proper to do so at this time, and that Board go and inspect the different localities where these streets will run, and at the same time also look at some lots that have been applied for by sundry persons and to establish their prices. It was resolved to meet for this purpose tomorrow at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock P.M.

3. Application is made on the part of the Young Men's Missionary Society for permission to open their reading and conversation rooms in the Boys School house also on *Sunday afternoon*, which has thus far not been the case. A protracted conversation ensued during which the merits of the case were discussed. Against the measure it was urged that it might lead to consequences disagreeable to the Principal and teachers of the Female Academy on account of the relative position of the two buildings; while on the other hand it was maintained to be more desirable to see the members of the society usefully employed in those hours, than by closing the rooms to induce them to stand about the street corners, or to resort to beer shops and other places of questionable propriety.

The following resolution was finally adopted: "That the question of opening the rooms on *Sunday afternoon* be left for the decision of the Young Men's Missionary Society, this board not objecting to their being opened provided that proper order be maintained and nothing permitted to be done that might prove an annoyance or give just cause of complaint either to the Female Academy or to the neighbourhood in general."

Fri., Apr. 9. Not present the Brn. Edwd. Blum and Chs. Hauser.

3. Rich Siewers (coloured) speaks of buying an acre of ground on the former Shuman's plantation. If parcels of ground are sold on that plantation they should be regularly laid out, say along a street, as in a town. Board concluded to give them the size of our common town lots, viz., 100 ft. front and 200 ft. deep, and to ask \$10 for a lot of that size.

4. A request was submitted to the Board for assistance towards purchasing a cabinet organ for the use of our Church Sunday School and at meetings held in the Chapel. About \$75 have been obtained towards that object (an appropriation on the part of the S. School, and from collections from individuals). The price of an organ of suitable power will be about \$170. Board after some conversation on the subject laid the matter over for future action.

Fri., May 10. Not present Br. J. D. Siewers.

1. Congregation Council having on 7th inst. re-elected the Brn. Edwd. Blum and Aug. F. Pfohl, whose term of service had expired, Board met and organized by electing S. Thos. Pfohl as President and Secretary.

3. Several lots have now been laid out to the E. of the road leading from Em. Reich's house towards Waughtown and sold to coloured people. Application has been made for a few more in the same neighbourhood, but applicants are not yet ready to comply with the conditions.

4. The request for assistance towards the purchase of a cabinet organ (see §4) was next considered and resulted finally in the adoption of the resolution that the small organ in the Sisters House chapel, which is now never used, be given as the contribution on the part of the Church towards the purchase of the desired instrument.

Mon., July 8. Not present Brn. E. T. Blum and C. T. Pfohl.

2. The wish having been expressed by some of the teachers of the Female Academy to have a gate made in the middle of the Square fence on Main Street, as also a walk from the center of the square to that gate, in order not be obliged to pass around the square when going to that part of town, Mr. Meller offering to make the gate and crossing on Main Street at his own expense, Board after some deliberation negatived

the application as unnecessary, there already being good and sufficient pavement and crossings to reach that part of town from the Academy.

3. A subscription of \$80 to \$100 having been made up in town with a view of clearing the creek and Brushy fork from the Salem to the Brushy fork mill of timber lying in them and obstructing the current, Board is willing that Salem Diacony contribute from \$10 to \$15 towards that object in case the subscription now made up should not prove sufficient.

Mon., July 29. Not present Br. Charles Hauser.

3. The request to have the south window on the organ gallery altered so as to admit of the upper sash being opened also (instead of only the lower one, as now constructed), in order to afford a more perfect ventilation for that part of the gallery, was granted, and the alteration is to be made as soon as it can be done.

Tues., Aug. 6. Not present the Brn. J. D. Siewers, Edwd. Blum, and Chs. Hauser.

1. The yearly accounts of Salem Diacony to Apr. 30, 1872, as also the statement of assets and liabilities on that day were laid before the Board.

Owing principally to heavy expenses on School acct. and for repairs, this year's account, after adding to the respective Funds accounts the receipts for land and lots sold amounting to \$1,768.50, closes with a loss of \$714.64. As, however, Lovefeast account appears with a credit of \$124.12, it was resolved to transfer \$74.12 from it to Congregation account, thus leaving \$50 to credit of Lovefeast and diminishing the debt of \$212.50 on Congregation account to \$138.38, and consequently closing the accounts of the year with \$640.52 deficit.

This deficiency as also the \$2,702.42 standing among the account Credit-Debtors as the amount paid on the part of the Diacony towards the alteration and improvement of the Church, can be canceled thro' Salem Town Lot fund. On the note due Rev. Wm. Ferd. Bechler \$1,000 have been paid within the fiscal year embraced in the accounts and the last payment of \$1,000 and interest has been sent off (to Herrnhut) in the course of last month. (See minutes, Sept. 13, 1871, §3.)

2. The accounts of Single Sisters Diacony for the year ending Apr. 30, 1872, close with an excess of disbursements over the receipts of \$66.95 occasioned by unusually heavy repairs to

some of the outhouses. Reliable assets have increased by \$625 in the course of the year.

3. The accounts of receipts and expenditures for the alteration of the Church in Salem in 1870 as rendered by Br. E. A. Vogler, Chairman of the Building Committee, as also the accounts of Salem Diacony having reference to the same, were laid before the Board.

From these statements combined it appears that the total cost of the alteration and improvement of the Church (exclusive of \$772.10 for organ repairs) amounted to \$5,833.97, of which \$3,131.55 were paid from contributions received for that express purpose from sundry sources and from sales of lumber remaining on hand from the Church building and the balance of \$2,702.42 by Salem Diacony.

Mon., Aug. 26. Not present Br. Aug. F. Pfohl (at New York).

1. There appearing a credit of \$67.32 on the Education fund standing with Salem Diacony, which according to the will of the testator, Br. Magnus Hultin, is to be applied towards the payment of the school account of children of the Congregation whose parents are not well able to meet the expense, it was resolved that the school account of widow Sarah Ann Winkler of \$30 and that of Joseph Hall amounting to \$16.50 be paid from this fund and the balance of the credit amounting to \$20.82 be taken off from the debt due for tuition of John Shutt. As there are quite a number of accounts still due the former boys school from persons supposed by the Board to be in a condition to pay, an attempt will be made to collect these debts as far as practicable, in order thereby to cover at least a part of the heavy advances of the Diacony towards the support of the Boys School, the account books of the school having now been delivered by the respective Treasurers into the hands of the Warden.

2. Br. Nathl. Vogler, who for a number of years had faithfully acted as Forester of the Salem Diacony lands, having departed this life on the 18th of the present month, Board resolved unanimously to offer the situation to Br. Levin Brietz.

3. Application having been made by a coloured man for a building lot south of those laid out on the former Shuman plantation and there being suitable ground there for about 2 more lots within the old clearing, Board resolved that another street be run south of the lots already laid out, which street

would then be the last in that direction. Should more be required hereafter, they are to be laid out to the north of the lots already surveyed.

For the sake of convenience it was proposed to call the little town now springing up at that place *Liberia*.

Tues., Nov. 12. Not present Brn. C. Hauser and Aug. F. Pfohl.

2. The Warden reported that by request of persons purchasing some lots on Old Town Street in Winston, he had in so far departed from the resolution of this Board of Sept. 14, 1869, §1, with regard to its width, as to make it 60 ft. instead of 50 as then contemplated, the other principal streets of Winston being that wide. Board sanctioned the action.

Mon., Nov. 25. Full Board.

4. Salem Diacony having at this time \$1,200 on deposit at the Bank that might be more profitably invested in stocks, the question was asked where an investment should be made? The consideration of this question was laid over to a future meeting of the Board.

Provincial Financial Board, 1872
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., Feb. 27. 1872. Br. C. L. Rights absent.

1. J. P. Rank has made a payment on his note.

3. A remuneration of \$15 was, on motion, ordered to be paid to the Br. James T. Lineback, Secretary of the Provincial Synod of Nov. 1871, as Synod had omitted doing anything to recompense him for his services.

Tues., Aug. 27. Br. C. L. Rights absent.

1. The Treasurer of Wa. Sustent. Diacy. submitted the annual account and statement to May 31, 1872. A deficit of \$23.83 appears on the account of receipts and disbursements, altho' a contribution of \$2,000 from Salem Female Academy is included in the receipts. The expenses have been greatly increased by the establishment of the Moravian Male Academy and the augmented yearly contribution to the College and

Theological Seminary at Bethlehem. There are still a considerable number of doubtful and lost assets enumerated in the statement. An attempt should be made to stimulate the country congregations to larger contributions in support of their ministers.

2. It was not deemed advisable to attempt to obtain indemnification for the Bethany horse (from the U.S. government), which was taken by the federal cavalry under Genl. Stoneman. The expenses connected with the prosecution of the claim would probably amount to the full value of the horse.

Thurs., Dec. 12. Br. C. L. Rights not present.

1. Treasurer asked for directions in reference to the 5th installment from Salem Savings Institute now due. The 5th installment on deposits is paid by the Institute to all such as surrender their certificate on its receipt, and thus relinquish all further legal claims on the Institute. It is asserted that the 5th payment of the installment will exhaust all the assets of the Institute at present available. Board could not, without more insight into the affairs of the Institute, agree to the surrender of the certificate held by Wa. Sustent. Diacy. Br. Jacob Fulkerson was commissioned to ask of the Treasurer of Salem Savings Institute an exhibit of its affairs, for communication to the Board before anything was definitely determined.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1872

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Mon., Jan. 1. [H]ad a meeting of the [Bethabara] adult members to make some arrangements to have the bottom cleaned up. Brother Lewis Hine is to have all he can clean up, two years rent free, and the members agree to help make the outside fence.

Thurs., Jan. 4. Went to Salem, P.E.C. Conference. Brother Parmenio Leinback is to receive a call to become the teacher of the Provincial School to be commenced in Salem. It is thought he will accept.

Sun., Jan. 7. At night we intended to begin the week of prayer, but owing to the rain there was no meeting.

During the week there was meeting in the Schoolhouse every night, quite well attended. The weather was warm till Saturday.

Sat., Jan. 27. Received a letter from Alice; she has a child and is doing well.

Mon., Jan. 29. Brother and Sister Jacob Warner celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage today. Quite a number were present. At night a number of young persons went out from town and sang for them. The old people seemed to enjoy themselves very well. Today was very cold indeed.

Wed., Jan. 31. Sr. Rights went to see Alice. A cold day.

Thurs., Feb. 1. A cold day, ice 5 inches thick. Went to [Provincial Elders] Conference. Brother Prince does not go to Friedberg.

Fri., Feb. 2. Left Salem for home. About 10 o'clock it began to snow in good earnest and kept on all day and night. About midnight it thundered and lightened like in the summer time.

Sat., Feb. 3. Snow on the ground about four inches deep, not quite so cold as yesterday. I had a letter from my wife from Mt. Airy. She got there on Wednesday night about midnight and expected to leave on Friday morning.

Fri., Feb. 16. Permanio Stultz shot our old dog Carlos. We brought him from Friedberg. He was quite deaf. Poor faithful friend, he is gone.

Mon., Feb. 26. Started for Mt. Bethel; went to Edward Butner's.

Tues., Feb. 27. Reached Bethel about sundown. ([Bethania Report:] Found Sr. Rights well. Alice, however, is in poor health and has been ever since the birth of her child.)

Thurs., Feb. 29. At Mt. Bethel snow five inches deep.

Fri., Mar. 1. Left Mt. Bethel for home. Came as far as Mrs. Gorden's. About 8 o'clock it began to snow, and snowed all night.

Sat. Mar. 2. It continued to snow till about 9 o'clock A.M. The snow is sixteen inches deep. I procured a ladies saddle for Sr. Rights and put her on my horse, and Mrs. Gorden loaned me one of her horses, and about 2 o'clock in the afternoon we left for Brother Edward Butner's, and got there by night. We went through snow drifts three feet deep.

Sun., Mar. 3. Remained all day at Brother Butner's.

Mon., Mar. 4. Still at Brother B.'s. The snow is going very slowly.

Tues., Mar. 5. A cold morning. I went to Mrs. Gorden's to return her horse, and got my carriage and brought it to brother Butner's. Snow is melting some.

Wed., Mar. 6. Left Brother Butner's this morning early for home. Found the roads dreadful. Got home at 2 o'clock P.M.

Thurs., Mar. 7. Went to Salem. I have never seen the roads worse. The ground is still covered with snow.

Mon.-Wed., Mar. 25-27. On Tuesday William Butners moved out of town.

Thurs., Mar. 28. Maundy Thursday. Elisabeth Leinback, wife of Joshua Leinback, brought her certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church and was received as a member here. Edwin Schultz, a former member was also readmitted and took the Communion, which gives us two new members. ([Bethania Report:] Edwin Shultz, who had withdrawn before the war, was readmitted.)

Tues., Apr. 2. I had a severe attack of rheumatism at my heart and for several hours suffered very much.

Tues., Apr. 9. Went to Antoinet Matthews. Her son Frank shot off his hand some weeks ago. It had to be amputated.

Fri., Apr. 19. I went to Salem. P.E.C. meeting. Brother Schweinitz is to go to the Indian nation.

Sun., Apr. 28. Today three years ago I left Bethania for Europe.

Thurs., May 2. Went to Conference at Salem. Brother Adolphus Lichtentayler, minister of Friedberg, was present for the first time.

Sat., May 4. This afternoon I went to brother John Hall's on the other side of the Yadkin River on my way to Macedonia tomorrow.

Sun., May 5. Went to Macedonia in company with brother L. Taylor to introduce him to that congregation as their future pastor. After preaching I went to brother Henry Lee's, Daniel Sheek's and Richmond Sheek's, where I staid all night.

Mon., May 6. Went by Emmerson Riddle's and Calvin Riddle's to Augustus Butner's, where I took dinner and then went home.

Sun., May 12. In the evening I had a severe headache, so the meeting fell out. Sr. Phillipina Butner, Jane Grabs and Myria Schaub have chills and fever. At Friedberg too there is a great deal of sickness; six persons died in one neighborhood during the past week.

Sun., June 9. Mr. Baldwin of the Missionary Baptist Church preached in Bethania in the morning from Hebrews 10:23, and in the evening brother Benjamine Leinback preached here, and I preached at Bethabara in the afternoon and kept a prayer meeting at night.

Tues., June 10 [11]. Church scouring at Bethania, and Benjamine Leinbacks started home this morning.

Sun., June 16. Bethania Congregation feast (day the 12th). Mr. Baldwin preached upon Songs of Solomon. In the afternoon Lovefeast and Communion, well attended. We had a beautiful day. During the Communion Levine Hine's little son came after his mother with the news that his father had a stroke of apoplexy, and it was feared he would die before they would get home, and while coming the horse ran away with the little boy and threw him just below town and ran off. The horse was caught and brought back, and the boy, though much bruised, sustained no serious injury. I rode out to Bethabara and found Mr. Hine conscious but very weak. I came back and kept the evening meeting. Upon the whole we had an interesting day. We remembered too the anniversary of the beginning of Herrnhut 150 years ago on tomorrow, June 17th.

Fri., June 21. Went to Salem to a P.E. Conference, as brother Emil Schweinitz has just returned from a visit to the Cherokee Mission. ([Bethania Report:] Found brother Schweinitz looking quite well, and I did not perceive that he was much demoralized by his intercourse with the savages. Upon the whole, the news he brought from loved ones there was of a pleasing nature, and the visit no doubt will accomplish good in more ways than one.)

Sun., June 30. A very warm day, the warmest we have had this summer. Till within the last three days the weather has been cool, especially all through wheat harvest. The wheat harvest is over, and wheat promises to be the best, both as to quality and quantity, for years.

Mon., July 1. Last night was the first real warm night of the season, and we are beginning to be dry but wishing for rain.

Wed., July 3. Thermometer up to 99 in the shade.

Sun., July 7. About midnight Sr. Rights was attacked with the sickness that seems to prevail so extensively at Salem.

Mon., July 8. S. Rights is still very sick, and I have the sick headache.

Thurs., July 11. Visited at Widow Color's, John Henry Shultz's, Thomas Shultz's, and Peter Marshall's, where they have a number of cases of sickness, all this new bilious disease.

Tues., July 30. A warm day. I visited at brother James Butner's, David Shouse's, Frank Holder's, Martin Holder's, Carlos Holder's, Peter Marshall's, Mr. Lawrence's, Junius Leinback's, Widow Culler's, John Henry Shultz's, and Thomas Shultz's, and everywhere found some sick, either fever or this new bilious disease that first made its appearance in Salem.

Fri., Aug. 2. Learned that Joseph Hine's barn near Old Town was struck by lightning on Wednesday evening, July 31st, and burnt up together with 250 doz. of oats [and] about 30 bushels of wheat besides the hay. Several members of the family were knocked down in the house, and it was only with a great deal of exertion that the house was kept from burning up.

Sat., Aug. 3. Visited brother Joseph Butner's in Bethabara; he is no better; read and prayed. In the family there are five sick. From here went to Mr. Charles Church's; here are four down. In the afternoon . . . went to Bro. Peter Marshall's, Henry Schultz's and Thomas Shultz's. Augustus Schultz was bitten in the hand by a snake yesterday. His hand and arm are very much swollen, but he is not so sick as he was last night and yesterday.

Sun., Aug. 4. In the afternoon preached at Bethabara and then went to Joseph Hine's. Saw where his barn containing hay, 250 dozen of oats, and 30 bushels of wheat was burnt, and yet another stable standing within ten feet was saved.

Sun., Aug. 11. Celebrated the 13th at Bethania. Congregation was not so large, owing to some difficulties.

Wed., Aug. 14. Visited Sr. Loretta Tice; she has bilious fever. Sr. Phillipina Butner is sick, and Sr. Betsy Strupe fell down and fractured her arm.

Thurs., Aug. 15. This forenoon finished digging my Irish potatoes. They are fine, about 25 bushels. About one o'clock it began to rain and rained all the evening, the first good rain in seven weeks. Perhaps the dry weather is over for this season.

Fri., Aug. 16. A rainy night, and still raining at 10 A.M. after a dry spell of seven weeks.

Sun., Aug. 18. Preaching at home from Hebrews 10:35-37. Had a small congregation, as all who could go went to Maple Springs camp meeting.

Mon., Tues., Aug. 19, 20. Went to the camp meeting at Maple Springs.

Wed., Sept. 11. Visited at Thos. Kapp's, Henry Shore's, and John Kapp's. Sickness in all the families. At night I took a severe chill followed with fever.

Sun., Sept. 15. Brother Benjamine Leinback, being on his way to the home mission meeting, preached today at Bethania. As I was not well enough to go to Old Town, brother Edgar Leinback kept prayer meeting.

Mon., Sept. 23. Visited the fever cases in town and found quite a number of cases. Sr. Elisabeth Strupe seems to be mending slowly from the effects of her fall, although her sufferings are still severe. Visited brother John Kapp out of town. He is mending but very slow. His wife too has the fever and has been precipitated into immediate confinement. She gave birth to a son, and for several days [it was a question] whether mother or child would live, but both are doing better. It has been a distressing time here.

Thurs., Sept. 26. Last night I was quite sick again, so too was Sr. Rights. But still I turned out and visited my town sick and found them improving.

Thurs., Oct. 3. At night I preached in the brick Church at Winston.

Sun., Oct. 6. Today there were big meetings all around, at the Dutch meeting house, at Mt. Tabor, and at "Tabernacle." My congregation was small. I preached at Bethania from John 4:23-24. Mr. Baldwin, being present, closed with an exhortation and prayer. In the afternoon I preached at Bethabara. At night we had rain.

Sun., Oct. 13. Married people, widows, and widowers festival. At 10 o'clock an address, then public preaching when a collection was taken up for the Bohemian mission amounting to \$8.65 cents. In the afternoon Lovefeast and Communion.

Mon., Oct. 14. A big frost and a cold day. Everybody is busy getting out their sweet potatoes. I got out about 15 bushels; they are nice.

Mon., Nov. 13. Carried Sr. Rights to High Point on her way to visit her friends in Salisbury.

Sun., Nov. 24. My wife is still on a visit in Salisbury.

Thurs., Nov. 28. Thanksgiving. Preaching in Bethania from 1 Tim. 2:1-6. Brother Lewis Essex from Indiana called in to see me.

Fri., Nov. 29. The coldest day this season, thermometer down to 6. Went to Salem after Sr. Rights. She suffered from the cold coming from High Point. The fever sickness is getting very bad.

Sun., Dec. 8. Preaching at Bethania in the morning and Communion in the afternoon. . . . The day proved to be warm and agreeable, and the roads were excellent, so people could come from the country very well.

Tues., Dec. 10. Last night we had the first snow. The ground is covered about 2 inches deep. Very cold.

Fri., Dec. 13. Cold day. Went to Salem. The mail from Salem to Withville is stopped on account of the horses being sick. My horse has been sick but is getting better.

Mon., Dec. 16. Found our Will sick. No mail on account of the horse disease.

Tues., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. Had the usual services in the Church. About 9 o'clock it began to snow and snowed all night.

Wed., Dec. 25. Christmas. Still snowing and very cold. At night it began to sleet and formed a coat of ice on the snow. We had preaching, but few were out. I did not go to Bethabara. At night the children had a tableaux over the store at Kapp's ([Bethania Report:] Lash's store).

Friedberg Diary, with Hope, Macedonia, 1872

[R. P. Leinbach did not keep up the Friedberg Diary for his last months as minister there. The following extracts are from the Private Diary of R. P. Leinbach and, where indicated, the Friedberg Reports he submitted to Ministers Conference.]

([Friedberg Report:] *Thurs., Jan. 5.* Received and accepted a call from P.E. Conf. to take charge of the Provincial Parochial School at Salem.)

Mon. Jan. 13 [15]. This morning my dear wife complained of pain, and was unable to rise. I administered the only dose of morphine in the house, and went to Salem after more.

([Friedberg Report:] *Tues., Jan. [16].* Last night my dear wife was so unfortunate as to miscarry, and was so reduced from the loss of blood that her life was in imminent peril.

For nearly a week she was very much reduced and required close attention.)

Sat., Mar. 2. This morning we found the ground covered with snow to the depth of 12 inches or more, and the snow still coming down. I made a "dragger," i.e., three cornered box, to open walks thro' the snow. Robbie had a severe chill lasting an hour or more.

Sun., Mar. 3. Yesterday already he turned yellow, [and] his urine became much tinged with blood, which caused us much uneasiness. Today 'tis no better. He threw up all his quinine.

Mon. Mar. 4. This morning Robbie seems quite cheerful but very weak. About 10 o'clock he took a chill followed by fever, which tho' not as severe as on Saturday, compelled him to betake himself to his bed. After dinner I rode to town to see some physician. I met Drs. Keehln and Siewers, and both assured me it was nothing but intermittent fever. He seems to have slept the whole afternoon, and I found him in bed on my return. How pitiful he looked. Not only quite colorless, but very yellow. Even his eyeballs were strongly tinged. I could hardly recognize in him our darling rosy cheeked "Robbie Boy," as he often called himself. Last night he was constantly sitting up in bed and calling for water. Tonight he seemed to be quite as thirsty. We feared inward fever.

Tues., Mar. 5. This morning we made several attempts to inject quinine, but they failed on account of operations of the bowels. At last, by mixing 4 drops of laudanum, we managed to make about 5 grams remain. As his mother was going to dinner he called to her for some soup before she should go. She gave him some; he ate but little, and said, "Now, Mama, that's enough." That's the last time our darling ever spoke. When we came back we found him asleep. For several hours he seemed to rest quietly, when he suddenly roused up, stared wildly round, and his whole body was affected by a tremor resembling convulsions. About 4 o'clock I sent Br. Burk after the Dr., and when I returned I saw it would soon be over with our darling. Oh! what minutes of agony we spent at that bed, and each seemingly drawn out to an hour. His strange attacks continued and became worse. Lucy held his little hands, and it soon became evident that he was going. By and by he stretched himself, bent his body back convulsively, drew a few more breaths, and quite gently breathed out his spirit into the hands of God who gave it, leaving us crushed and brokenhearted

around his bed. Our darling boy has left us, and we have nothing but the many little souvenirs, and the recollection of his sweet, affectionate disposition, and his winning, cunning ways to remind us that we once had such a darling in our midst.

Wed., Mar. 6. Today Papa and Sr. Hannah came down [to] bring our little darling's coffin along. After dinner we all started off to Salem taking our little boy's remains with us. Our kind friends at Salem prepared a suit for our boy, and placing him in the coffin, laid flowers upon his pillow and ornamented the precious casket which once contained the soul of our darling. What a bitter, bitter trial to give up our boy, and see him no more.

Thurs., Mar. 7. At half after one o'clock we proceeded to the church, following the remains of our darling boy. He was borne on the shoulders of several lads of town. Br. Oerter preached a very appropriate and comforting sermon, after which we proceeded to the graveyard, and there deposited the precious dust—to remain until the great day of the Lord.

Fri., Mar. 8. We returned to Friedberg with aching hearts.

Sun., Mar. 10. Commenced the Reading of the Acts of the Son of Man.

Wed., Mar. 20. Committee meeting at Friedberg. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz was present, and informed Committee that Br. Adolphus Lichtenthaeler had accepted the call to Friedberg. He also made arrangements with Lucy to remain and keep house for the new incumbent.

Wed., Apr. 3. Today we moved from Friedberg to Salem. The Brn. C. Spach, Traug. Spach, John Reich, Wm. Reich, Jesse Mock, Arch. Sink, John Shore, Lem Mendenhall. Two teams from the School also aided in transporting our goods and chattels to Salem. Father Blum was also down, having come the evening before. The Brn. did not charge anything for hauling. Br. Ernst brot the cow up.

Sun., Apr. 7. Br. Fogle took me to Macedonia, and I preached from Micah 2:10 to a very good congregation, and announced that Br. L. Thaeler would be there the 1st Sunday in May. Returned the same evening.

Sat., Apr. 13. It seemed so strange to me that I had no sermon to prepare for tomorrow. I could hardly realize it. Was variously engaged about home.

[The Friedberg Diary picks up. Extracts transcribed; the handwriting is that of Adolphus Lichtenthaeler.]

Sun., Apr. 14. Today I was introduced to my new charge at Friedberg by Br. E. A. de Schweinitz. I preached my introductory sermon from Isaiah 61:1. The service was very largely attended.

Wed., Apr. 24. Visited Br. John Crouch, and obtained from him one bushel of potatoes for planting. In the evening tried my hand at plowing, but did not succeed very well.

Thurs., Apr. 25. Visited Br. Ernst, and procured his service in planting my potatoes.

Sun., Apr. 28. After dinner I went over to Hope, where I met Br. E. A. de Schweinitz, and was introduced by him to my congregation in that place. I then preached from Matt. 5:17. Largely attended.

Sun., May 5. Started for Macedonia this morning, Br. Edward Foltz going along. Met Br. Lewis Rights at Br. John Hall's, and soon afterward we all proceeded together to the meeting house three miles off, where I was introduced to my congregation by Br. Rights, and preached from Isaiah 61:1. Fair attendance.

Tues., May 21. The Brethren Jesse Mock, Traugott Spaugh, Christian Spaugh, Archibald Sink, Solomon Hege, Theophilus Essic, and Daniel Fishel came at about 7 o'clock this morning to lay the new floor of the Diener Kitchen. In the afternoon they were joined by the brethren John Crouch and Christian Ernst.

Tues., June 11. Went to Salem this morning. In the evening I attended a party given at Dr. H. Bahnson's house, given by Miss Tina Peterson. I enjoyed it greatly.

Mon., June 24. Today my cousin, Br. A. Oerter, and myself visited Bethabara.

Sat., July 13. Spent the morning getting hands to cut my oats. Engaged the services of Ambrose Rominger and Br. Levi Padget. Likewise had my horse shod at Br. Essig's.

Sun., July 28. In the afternoon I went over to Hope. . . . Found a very small congregation there, owing to the fact that a big meeting, as they called it, being only a few miles off.

Sun., Aug. 25. No services at Friedberg today, many of my members having gone to the Methodist protracted meeting at [Mt.] Olivet. I also went over to Olivet and attended the morning service, but left again in the afternoon.

Fri., Aug. 30. This morning I helped Br. Jesse Mock unload a load of hay and became overheated. A severe headache set in which lasted till night when I had a high fever.

Sat., Aug. 31. No fever today, but feel very weak.

Sun., Sept. 1. Although feeling very unwell, nevertheless I went over to Macedonia to keep service.

Wed., Sept. 4. Just before dinner I was attacked with the ague. . . .

Thurs., Sept. 5. No fever today.

Fri., Sept. 6. Attacked by the ague at about 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock this morning. Had a high fever all afternoon and most of the night.

Sat., Sept. 7. Felt the effects of the fever. Very weak.

Sun., Sept. 8. Unable to keep meeting. Br. Traugott Spaugh opened the Sunday School, and in the place of the regular service held a prayer meeting.

Mon., Sept. 9. No fever today. This evening Br. Leinbach and Br. Oerter came from Salem to see me, having heard how I fared yesterday.

Tues., Sept. 10. No fever today, although this would have been my fever day. I have been doctoring myself with homeopathic medicines, which I find very beneficial.

Sat., Sept. 14. No fever since Sunday.

Sun., Sept. 22. In the afternoon I went to keep service at Hope, but was prevented from holding any when I came there by another attack of the fever.

Sat., Oct. 12. Married People's, Widows' and Widowers' festival today. During the lovefeast Br. Schweinitz made a short address. 58 Communicants present. Between lovefeast and Communion a Church Council was held to consult about the advisability of repainting the church and lowering the pulpit. It was agreed upon that we repaint the church and make the necessary alterations, and the Brethren Traugott Spaugh, Harrison Crouse, and Archibald Sink were appointed a committee of 3 to take charge of the work, and the brethren Jesse Mock, Wm. Thornton, and Constantine Hege, a committee of 3 to solicit subscriptions to defray the expenses of the same. A subscription list was immediately opened, resulting in \$84.00 being subscribed, \$34.00 of which were immediately paid down.

Tues., Oct. 15. Went to Salem to see about procuring a housekeeper.

Tues., Oct. 22. Went to Salem. Lucy Crouch, my housekeeper, left me today.

Wed., Oct. 23. Returned to Friedberg, bringing Miss Julia Vest with me as my new housekeeper.

Sun., Oct. 27. Took up a collection at Friedberg in aid of the Bohemian mission work, resulting in \$4.95.

Sun., Nov. 3. Went to Macedonia to keep service. Found a good congregation there. After service I took up a collection in aid of the Bohemian mission work. Result: \$1.55.

Sat., Nov. 9. The Brethren Sol. Hege, Eph. Wesner, and myself had been instructed at the last Committee meeting to visit Br. Obediah Spaugh, and speak to him about certain charges of swearing and drunkenness which had been brought against him. This was the day appointed for this purpose; but Br. Hege not making his appearance at the time appointed for meeting, Br. Wesner and myself thereupon went over to Br. Spaugh together. We found Br. Spaugh plowing in the field. We informed him of our business, and brought forward the charges. He took all in good part, confessing to the charge of swearing, but denying that of having been seen drunk. We therefore cited him to appear before the Committee on the 19th inst., and answer for himself, which he seemed very willing to do.

Tues., Nov. 12. Went to Salem today. In the evening I attended the wedding of Br. Jesse Mock, married to Sr. Lucy Crouch, my old housekeeper.

Tues., Nov. 19. Wood-gathering day, 75 persons present. Br. Obediah Spaugh did not make his appearance before the Committee, before which he was cited to appear on the 9th inst.

Sun., Nov. 24. The usual services today at Friedberg, and at Hope. Took up a collection at Hope in aid of the Bohemian mission work. Result: \$1.28.

Tues., Dec. 3. Spent the greater part of the day in riding about to procure hands to come to the church tomorrow to help at repairing wherever the church needs it.

Wed., Dec. 4. About 13 brethren assembled today to help at repairing the church. The painters began work this morning.

Fri., Dec. 6. Only a few brethren came today to work at the church.

Sat., Dec. 7. Only one brother here today.

Mon., Dec. 9. A number of brethren assembled today to reputty the window frames.

Thurs., Dec. 12. The painters left off painting at noon and started for home on account of the cold weather.

Sun., Dec. 15. At the close of meeting took up a collection in aid of Foreign missions. Result: \$2.50.

Thurs., Dec. 19. Went to Salem. In the evening, on my return home, I walked over from Mr. Stafford's house to Sr. Eliza Spaugh's house, and married Sr. Spaugh to Mr. T. B. F. Hayworth. From here I walked home; but when I came home I found nothing of my housekeeper or carriage, which I had sent on from Mr. Stafford's by the regular road. I then went to Br. Constantine Hege's, and found my housekeeper and horse there; but the carriage had been left at Sr. Rachael Todd's house, my housekeeper having had an accident there, and broken the harness. During all the time since early in the afternoon there was an incessant fall of rain and sleet. Through all this—and added to it complete darkness—I walked about 6 miles, it being already dark before I left my carriage. I staid at Br. Hege's house overnight.

Fri., Dec. 20. Returned home. Feeling sick, the effects of too much exposure. I sent up to Br. Leinbach to come and help my meetings tomorrow [lovefeast and communion on Saturday].

Wed., Dec. 25. Snowing very fast all day. Very few present at Friedberg at the Christmas service.

Kernersville Reports, with Friedland, 1872

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Isaac Prince.]

Sun., Jan. 28. Rode to Kernersville. Held a church meeting at 2½ P.M. The members have promised to fence the lots recently purchased.

Sun., Apr. 21. Br. Lowder, who intends to cultivate the ground at Friedland, has by permission of the Committee occupied a room of the parsonage until the crop is made.

Wed., Apr. 24. By request of Br. Lowder wrote out his will.

Sat., Apr. 27. In consequence of want of time, etc., the members at Kernersville have not yet enclosed the new lots.

Fri., May 17. Received a summons to appear at court to testify concerning the character of a member of the church who has become involved in law.

Sat., May 18. Spent the day in court.

Mon., Tues., May 20, 21. Still required to be in court, although the case was not called.

Sat., June 1. In the morning at 9 began the S.S. exercises [at Kernersville]. A large concourse of parents and friends assembled who seemed delighted with the efforts of the children. At 12 refreshments were spread out in the grove, of which all partook. The company then adjourned to another grove where plays were heartily entered into until 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ when Br. P. Lineback arrived and addressed the parents and scholars in the church. After the distribution of a few small gifts by Br. Jas. Lineback the company once more adjourned to the grove to enjoy various sports until nearly sunset.

Tues., July 16. Rev. Mr. Strobel, newly appointed agent of the American Bible Society, held a meeting in the Moravian Church. The attendance was small, but all present seemed favorably impressed with the agent. The Kernersville Society having disbanded, Mr. Strobel organized a Bible Committee to be under the direction of the Salem Bible Association.

Mon., Tues., July 29. 30. The weather during the past month has been excessively warm. The health of Kernersville has been good, but much sickness prevailed in the Friedland neighborhood. Politics has been the all-absorbing topic.

Sun., Aug. 11. Memorial of 13 Aug. Preached in Kernersville from Acts 19:2. Intended to hold the communion, but no wine could be obtained, and it had to be postponed.

Sun., Aug. 18. Went to Friedland, where I took part in the Sunday School and preached at the usual hour. Was prevented from holding the communion on account of Br. Lowder's absence, he having locked up everything and gone to the river.

Sat., Aug. 24. Went to Friedland to hold Committee meeting and try to settle a family broil between Lowders, Reids, and Hines. As the parties did not all put in an appearance, could do nothing. Expected to find members engaged on the graveyard, but only 3 came, and nothing could be done.

Sat., Aug. 31. Rode to Friedland district to do what I could to establish peace among some warring members, but met with little encouragement. About 12 of the brethren had come to clear off the graveyard.

Thurs., Sept. 5. This morning the friends of P. Laugenauer came to ask permission to inter his remains in the Friedland

burying ground. It was granted on condition that they pay the customary fee.

[Handwriting is now that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

November 1872. Br. Prince left on Oct. 29 after having held a confirmation and adult baptism at Kernersville on Sunday, Oct. 27, on which occasion the whole family of Julius Harmon joined the church.

At Friedland I preached on Sunday, Nov. 3, to a good congregation. The duty of contributing to the support of the ministry and the special work of the church was urged upon the congregation. Took dinner at Br. Jonathan Lowder's, who lives in the parsonage. Sunday, Nov. 24, preached at 11 A.M., anticipating Thanksgiving. Br. Claus from Indiana, former member of Friedland, was present.

[New] Philadelphia Diary, 1872

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun. Mar. 17. With colored Elder Alex Gates, to Crater's School House, where I preached to the colored people on Acts 4:12. Had then some conversation with those colored persons who desire to join the church. Took dinner at Br. John Crater's and about 2 1/2 P.M. went again to the school house, and held a religious instruction meeting for a good number who were present. Then returned home.

Wed., Apr. 10. Visited at Br. Fredr. Burkhardt's, whose son John recently died in Texas, and at Sr. Lucinda Peddicord's, whose husband has deserted her and gone off with another woman.

Sun., Apr. 14. Br. Grunert preached at Phila. on this day, Br. Schweinitz being at Friedberg for the purpose of introducing Br. Lichtenthaeler to that congregation.

From May 9th to June 19th absent on an official visit of the Cherokee Mission. During this time Br. Grunert attended to Phila. The services were held regularly. On Whitsunday the Holy Communion was celebrated, Br. P. Linebach officiating.

Sun., July 14. Br. Alex Gates accompanied me. Preached at 11 A.M. to a good congregation on Hebrews 10:23. At 2 P.M.

went over to Crater's Schoolhouse, where I confirmed one colored man and baptized 3 colored who have joined our Church and will be counted as members of the colored congregation at Salem. After the 1st service the Holy Communion was celebrated. Br. Gates and I were overtaken by a shower before we reached Salem, but did not get very wet.

Sun., July 28. Br. Charles Kremer accompanied me. At 11 A.M. I opened the service, and then Br. Kremer preached his first sermon to a tolerable and very attentive congregation.

Sun., Sept. 15. Visited Jos. Holston on my way to Phila. The fever has prevailed and is still prevailing to a considerable extent among the members of the congregation.

Sun., Dec. 1. Very cold day. Therm. 26° F. in morning.

Sun., Dec. 15. Altho' my horse was still suffering from the prevalent horse disease, I drove to Phila., visiting Jos. Holston on the way, who is very feeble indeed. Preached to a very good audience on John 1:15-17. A certain Dr. Hampden from Jonesville, who was staying over Sunday at Alvin Wagner's, was present and sought an introduction after preaching in order to converse on the subject.

Tues., Dec. 24. Xmas Eve. Snow. Drove to Phila. and held the usual Xmas celebration meeting with lovefeast and candles. Quite a good congregation assembled in spite of bad weather.

Sun., Dec. 29. The road had been but little traveled since the snow storm on Xmas day and was not properly broken.

1873

[The French expanded their control in northern Vietnam.

The Post Office issued the first postcard in May. In September bank failures triggered the panic of 1873. Economic recovery took five years.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1873

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

The custom of our Brethren's Church, which cannot but be profitable when observed in the right spirit, afforded us the opportunity of beginning the year as it will tonight afford us the opportunity of ending it, with God. Here, in his house, on our bended knees we besought his blessing and implored his guidance during the New Year, which now has grown old and will soon give place to its successor.

On Sunday, July 6th, our public services had special reference to the 500th anniversary of the birth of John Huss, the reformer and martyr and one of the founders, at least indirectly, of our Ancient Brethren's Church. The memory of such just and devoted men is blessed, and should be cherished to the end of time in the Church of Christ.

The celebration of Aug. 13th was not without a blessing to all who thankfully remembered the special visitation of grace in the mother congregation of our Renewed Brethren's Church in the year 1727, and who desired and sought for themselves and for the whole congregation such a visitation in these days. Let us not cease to pray, "Turn us again unto thee, oh Lord, renew our days as of old" [Lam. 5:21] until the Spirit be abundantly poured out upon us from on high, and we *all* rejoice in his reviving influences! A new feature of the festival day—and one which was eminently appropriate and tended greatly to enhance the solemnity of the occasion—was the fact that the Lovefeast was restricted to the Communicant members, according to a resolution of the Congregation Council. As the festival commemorates an experience of the communicant congregation at Herrnhut during the celebration of the Lord's Supper, this arrangement is certainly very appropriate and commendable.

While other sections of our country were visited by the destroying pestilence, by awful conflagrations or tempests or

floods, we were spared such terrible visitations. It is true indeed that the health of our town has not been as good during the year as we could have wished. Many have suffered from repeated attacks of the fever which has prevailed so generally of late years in this section of country, and many children and some adults were attacked by that contagious disease, measles, which prevailed for several months but in most cases proved of a comparatively mild character. True also that we have been visited by flood and fire and storm. For in the month of May our creek rose higher than it had done for years, overflowing the low grounds along its course and running across the road on this side of the Salem bridge. It was a little remarkable that this took place just a day or two before the centenary jubilee of our sister congregation at Friedberg, while a similar freshet prevailed at the time at the Salem centenary jubilee in February 1866.

Early in the morning of Sunday, Jan. 19th, the old paper mill near Salem was completely destroyed by fire. All could not but regret the destruction of this old landmark and sympathize with its esteemed owner, a gentleman of Winston, Mr. Gray, who had refitted it with new machinery and a steam engine in place of the waterpower. The houses nearby were mercifully and we might say almost miraculously spared by Him who rules the elements. This element of fire, so good and useful a servant but so hard and terrible a master when it obtains the mastery, filled our hearts with sorrow at the sad fate which befell one of our married brethren, who was seriously and terribly burned by falling while in a state of unconsciousness into a fire which he had just kindled, that after lingering a few days he entered into his rest. But lately too another disaster of this kind resulting in the death of one of the pupils of our Female Academy aroused our liveliest sympathy and reminded us anew that "in the midst of life we are in death."

A wide-extending financial crisis has disturbed the business of the country during the past months; many have found themselves reduced from affluence to poverty, and thousands of operatives have been thrown out of employment and exposed during the winter to want and suffering, which only the charity of the benevolent can avert. Yet even this serious calamity promises to work for good in the end, and many hope that business will soon again be built up on a sounder basis than before.

A very important change has taken place in the administration of our temporal affairs. The venerable and beloved Warden of the congregation, who had held this office and discharged its onerous duties for a period of thirty-six years, having felt the necessity of retiring, laid down his office, and at a meeting of the Congregation Council held on Tuesday evening, July 29th, resolutions were adopted setting forth that the time anticipated when the present "Principles and Discipline" of the congregation were adopted had arrived, and that the office of Warden had become extinct. A committee was elected to draft a plan for the future conduct of affairs, which committee reported at subsequent meetings of the Council, held in the month of September, and submitted resolutions providing for the appointment of a Treasurer, and the incorporation of the congregation, as also the draft of a charter to be presented to the next Legislature. These resolutions were adopted, and the new arrangement has gone into effect, and it remains for us to pray that the Lord may lay his blessing upon it.

The educational institutions of our Church in this Province continue to flourish under the blessing of God. The public examination of the students of the Male Academy, which was held on Friday, May 30th, gave great satisfaction and proved that the time spent in attendance at its sessions had not been lost. This was also evidenced by the public entertainments of the Female Academy, and by the closing exercises of the Infant School in mid-summer and at Christmas.

A very interesting exhibition of Bible views by means of a Sciopticon, or improved magic lantern, was given on three evenings during the month of January and realized a handsome amount to meet the expenses of the [Sunday] school. A collection taken up recently in the church for the same purpose was not as large as was desired, although not falling much below the average amount of our church collections, which are no longer taken up at the doors but in the church at the close of the service. The total amount of our collections during the year has been \$449.48, an amount which, though by no means inconsiderable, might perhaps still be increased without injury to ourselves.

The Juvenile Missionary Society of the Sunday School has continued to hold its quarterly meetings, at which it would be pleasant to see more of the parents and adult members generally attending. The collections for the year have amounted

to \$64.25, and have been well applied. Our other missionary societies, Home and Foreign, have also had their usual meetings. The Male Missionary Society, re-organized last year, is in a languishing condition, many of the old members having departed this life and but few new ones having come forward. We trust many of the brethren will do so during the New Year. The amount of collections, etc., of our missionary societies during the year is \$369.43. Total amount of collections for church causes (exclusive of the regular congregation dues) during the year: \$818.91.

As regards the material prosperity of our town, we believe it has been improving. Some fine improvements of property have been made, by building, painting, laying of pavements, etc., all of which we hail as tokens of the Lord's blessing, and as helping to commend our town to all visitors by the neat and orderly appearance of things.

A large number of visitors from abroad spent the summer at our hotels, which were well filled. One cause of this was doubtless the completion of the railroad between this place and Greensboro. How strange it seemed to us to hear the shrill whistle and see the iron horse advance through our fields and forests, that were never wont to have their quiet thus disturbed! Excursions to and fro became the order of the day; and thus our place and our neighbor town of Winston were visited by the Sunday School citizens of different places, whose numbers imparted a lively holiday appearance to our streets, and who seemed to enjoy their visit as greatly as the heated term would allow. The bustling scenes at the depôt, upon the arrival and departure of the trains, seemed to transport us to other places, and we could scarcely believe they were transpiring at our own doors.

May this new avenue of trade and travel prove always to be of great practical convenience and benefit, and serve to increase and facilitate our kindly intercourse with other places. And may those who are brought into our midst by this and all other routes of travel see in us a people zealous of good works and seeking "first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness!" "A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid." "Let your light so shine, that men may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Salem Diary, 1873

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Wed., Jan. 1. Cloudy and damp. Heavy fog in the early A.M. Some prospect that the water cisterns may ere long be thawed open. For nearly a week it has been very troublesome to procure water, as there are not many wells in this neighborhood.

Thurs., Jan. 2. The newspapers state that the weather during the Xmas week was, almost throughout the whole country, the coldest in 20 years. In the New England states on Xmas A.M. they had from 20-50° below zero, and there was much suffering in consequence.

Sun., Jan. 5. At the close of the morning service, the annual collection for the College and Theological Seminary, which was postponed on Xmas Day on account of bad weather, was taken up. The Board of Elders has resolved that all collections in the church be taken up during the last hymn. This collection amounted to \$32.69.

Thurs., Jan. 9. ([Margin note:] Louis Napoleon, ex-emperor of the French, died at Chiselhurst, England, after a surgical operation.)

Sun., Jan. 12. Br. O. kept the morning service at 10 A.M., the attendance being very good. (It has been noticeably better on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, when there is no service in the Presbyterian church at Winston, and a number come from there to us.)

Mon., Jan. 13. At 7 P.M. was the rehearsal of a concert to be given by the S. School tomorrow evening in the church. A Sciopticon has been procured from New York with slides illustrating the Pilgrim's Progress, to be sent back within a limited time. The pictures are good, 12 in number, scenes in the pilgrimage of Christiana and her children.

Tues., Jan. 14. At 7 P.M. went to the S. Sch. concert. A good audience was present, but the church was not full. The views were described in Bunyan's language, followed by appropriate Scripture texts and then by suitable singing. The effect was good, at least, on the attentive mind.

Wed., Jan. 15. At 7 P.M. the S. Sch. concert was repeated, to a pretty good audience.

Thurs., Jan. 16. Showers P.M. and heavy rain about 6 o'clock. The audience at the S. School Exhibition of Bible views, given with the Sciopticon and interspersed with singing,

was therefore small. Some of the views were very good, especially a Madonna, i.e., head of the virgin Mary, and one of Christ at Emmaus. The others represented scenes in Palestine and the Bible lands, and scenes from Bible history. The whole amount received is \$125.

Sun., Jan. 19. About 12 or 1 o'clock last night there was an alarm of fire. It was at the paper mill, and though many went out, the building could not be saved, and was burned to the ground, a total and severe loss to Mr. Gray of Winston, the owner. It had just been refitted a year or two ago with new machinery, and run by steam instead of water, and was doing a good business. It is supposed to have caught from the furnace.

Tues., Jan. 21. A terrible accident happened to Br. Rud. Crist this A.M. While making the fire in Crosland's grocery, a fit must have come upon him suddenly, and he was found lying in or near the fire with his head shockingly burned. During the forenoon he became conscious, but did not know what had happened to him. When told by Br. O. that he might not recover, he seemed surprised, but expressed himself ready and willing to depart. After prayer, he thanked Br. O. and seemed perfectly conscious. It seems scarcely possible, with one side of his head so burned, in fact *baked*, one eye and ear gone, throat and shoulders burned. The doctor says it is possible but not probable that he will live.

Sat., Jan. 25. Br. C. departed at 2:15 this A.M. Last Saturday evening he was present at the Young Men's Missionary Lovefeast, and sang from the choir, as had been his wont for many years. Now he has joined "the choirs above."

Sun., Jan. 26. [A]t 3 P.M. Br. O. kept the funeral of Br. Jacob Rudolph Crist. The church was filled. There were two bands, which alternated on the way to and from the burial-ground. The choir sang a verse at the grave, Br. C. having been a member of the choir for upwards of 30 yrs.

Thurs., Feb. 6. At 7 P.M. a lecture was delivered by Rev. H. Smith of Greensboro in the Music Hall for the benefit of the Reading Club. His subject was "The Importance of Little Things."

Fri., Feb. 14. At 7 P.M. there were tableaux and music at the former store of E. A. Vogler for the benefit of the Reading Club. The propriety of church members giving such exhibition being questionable, and an offence to some, it is a pity that

some other mode of raising funds was not adopted. Br. and Sr. O. took tea and spent the evening at Mr. Starbuck's.

Sat., Feb. 22. Washington's Birthday. The tableaux, etc., were repeated for the third time at 7 P.M. They seem to have created a great furore.

Mon., Feb. 24. The mercury has been down to 28° today (6° early). Winter lingers. Very much fuel has been consumed.

Wed., Feb. 26. This was Br. M. E. Grunert's jubilee birthday. It was celebrated by a dinner in the Academy, at which the brn. in the service with their wives and all engaged in the Academy were present. It was a very pleasant occasion.

Tues., Mar. 4. 8 or 10° this A.M. Wind not quite as high as yesterday, but very cold. Today Ulysses S. Grant was formally inaugurated President of the U.S. for his second term, and [blank] Wilson, Vice President for his first term.

Fri., Mar. 7. At 7 P.M. Prof. R. Bingham of Mebaneville, Principal of the well known Bingham School, delivered a lecture in E. A. Vogler's large store on "the Anglo-Saxon Race, as it was, is, and will be," for the benefit of the Salem Literary Society. Proceeds about \$40, at 50 cents a ticket. Br. O. received two complimentary tickets, but could not attend.

Sat., Mar. 8. Br. O. had some little slips printed at Blum's, with the nos. of hymns which are to be sung in a liturgical service tomorrow evening by the choir and congregation alternately. Thus the lining out will be avoided. It is a first experiment *here*.

Sun., Mar. 9. [A]t 7 P.M. a liturgical service, choir and congregation singing hymns alternately, the nos. of which had been printed on slips and distributed. Br. O. read Isa. 53 and offered prayers. It was very well attended.

Sun., Mar. 23. [A]t 7 P.M. [was] a liturgy for Lent, which had been prepared and printed. The attendance was very good indeed, and the experiment appeared to succeed.

Tues., Apr. 1. Cloudy, with east wind and light sprinklings. After 5 P.M. a *very* severe thunderstorm with hail.

Thurs., Apr. 3. At 7 1/2 P.M. a lecture was delivered in the chapel of the Academy by Kemp P. Battle on the history and prospects of Forsyth Co. The storm of Tuesday did considerable damage in places, blowing down trees and fences, roofs, etc. Part of the west roof of the old factory was taken off, and it is said that the roof of Fries' Cotton Mill was lifted.

Sat., Apr. 5. We have summer heat already. At mid-day, 92 or 93°. There is considerable fever in town again. In the vicinity is said to be a malignant erysipelas and sore throat.

Thurs., Apr. 10. Maundy Thursday. At 7½ Br. O. kept the Holy Communion. . . . The attendance was very large, and a number of spectators were on the gallery. Those who partook for the first time sat in front.

Sun., Apr. 13. Easter Sunday. During the P.M. many visited the peaceful resting place of our dead, many of the graves being adorned with flowers, as usual.

Mon., Apr. 14. At 10 A.M. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz presided at the annual meeting of the Salem Bible Association. A very small number of brn. and srs. attended. The day is unfavorable for the purpose. A considerable number observed the usual custom, and went "a-fishing" (but caught not much).

Sun., Apr. 27. At 8:30 o'clock Br. O. kept the Widows' morning service, a few more being present than on last evening. Br. O. announced that Sr. C. S. Van Vleck, who has been Pflegerin for 20 yrs., felt no longer able to fill that office and had resigned. At 10 A.M. Br. O. kept the Litany and preaching, attendance somewhat smaller than usual. At 2 P.M. he kept the Widows' Lovefeast and at ¼ 3 o'clock the Choir Communion. At 7½ P.M. he held the evening service, with pretty good audience. At the close we sang, as usual, benedictory verses for the Widows. Thus the series of Choir festivals has once more commenced.

Tues., May 6. [T]he annual meeting of the Congregation Council [was held], for the purpose of electing church officers. Council also resolved that Board of Trustees draw up a set of rules for keeping graveyard in proper order (trimming graves, etc.). Also that the Lovefeast on Aug. 13th be a *Communion Lovefeast*. With reference to the music at 12 o'clock on New Year's Eve, Council expressed its satisfaction with the present arrangement, viz., the organ alone, with singing by the congregation, and *no brass instruments*.

Wed., May 7. It rained all day, sometimes heavily. The ground is well soaked.

Thurs., May 8. The creek is very high, has overflowed all the bottoms and run across the road this side the bridge. Has not been so high for years, at least since Feb. 1866 at time of Salem Centenary Jubilee.

Sat., May 10. Quite a number went to Friedberg to celebrate the Centenary Jubilee, which is held today and tomorrow.

Tues., May 27. At 8 P.M. a Cantata ("The May Queen") was performed by the pupils of the Female Academy in their chapel, which was crowded.

Fri., May 30. At 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. the Examination of the Moravian Male Academy commenced in the church, and continued during the morning and afternoon. The scholars did credit to themselves and their teachers.

Tues., June 10. At 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. there was a Promenade concert in the square; two Italians played on the violin and harp. They have been here since Saturday, and play quite well.

Sun., June 15. Older Girls Festival. There was no organist, Br. Leinbach being away from home, Br. Minung sick, and Br. Grunert gone to [New] Phila. in place of Br. Schweinitz, who is absent at the Synod of the Northern Province, convened at Litiz on Wed., 4th inst.

Sun., June 22. 90°. This is the average heat now. A breeze generally makes it tolerable.

Fri., June 27. At 6 A.M. Br. Schweinitz arrived from Pa. Br. Sylv. Wolle is in very poor health. Many changes among the brn. in the ministry are expected. Two will probably be obtained for the Southern Province.

Sun., July 6. Five hundredth anniversary of the birth of John Huss. Suggestions for a proper observance of this day having appeared in *The Moravian*, Br. Schweinitz preached a suitable sermon at 10 A.M. on daily Word (2 Tim. 2:3) to a very good congregation.

Mon., July 7. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Br. O. kept the monthly missionary prayer meeting. We remembered especially Lichtenau in Greenland, which will celebrate its Centennial Jubilee on 14th and 15th inst., the *Harmony*, now on her way to Labrador, and Surinam, where the former slaves, after an apprenticeship of 10 years, attained to complete freedom on 1st inst., a change which may be accompanied with serious consequences to our mission there, and will doubtless increase the arduous labor of our brn. and srs.

Sat., July 12. The R.R. bridge over Brushy Fork, about 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ mile from town, being completed, a number of people went out to see the locomotive cross the first time at 4 P.M. The Brass Band was out. The bridge is said to be well built and is 63 $\frac{1}{8}$ ft. high.

Tues., July 15. At 4 P.M. an Excursion train started on the R.R. from the "cut" this side the bridge for Beaufort. Quite a little company went from town, and a number were out to see the first train on this new road start. The road is said to be very well built.

Thurs., July 17. A very warm day. Some had 104° in the shade.

Wed., July 23. At 9¹/₂ this A.M. the Elm St. S. School went on a picnic down the railroad on the construction train, the rails having been laid up to the depot.

Sat., July 26. An excursion train left the depot here for Greensboro at 7 A.M. Five cars were all filled, many negroes being aboard. A large concourse gathered at the depot and along the track. Our Brass Band went along. The track is not yet quite finished.

Sun., July 27. A collection was taken up at the doors for Olney, Ill., where they are building a new church. It amounted to \$28.36.

Tues., July 29. At 7¹/₂ P.M. there was a meeting of the Congregation Council. The Warden, Br. S. T. Pfohl, who had filled that office for 35 yrs., having been prostrated by a severe attack of illness brought on some weeks ago by the discharge of his duties, which had become too onerous for his advanced age, was induced to resign the Wardenship. A temporary arrangement was made at the time, by which the business of the office could be attended to, but P.E.C. having now sent a communication to the Board of Elders stating that a permanent arrangement should be made as speedily as possible, this meeting was called for the purpose of taking initial steps. A series of resolutions was offered by Br. E. A. de Schweinitz, who explained to the meeting the present state of affairs, anticipated when the present "Principles and Discipline of the Congregation at Salem" were adopted (v. p. 10, sec. 2). The resolutions were adopted, and a Committee elected to draft a plan and report to the Council.

Wed., July 30. Preparations were made in the Public Square this P.M. for a picnic of the Greensboro Presbyterian Sunday School, which is to take place tomorrow.

Thurs., July 31. At 8¹/₂ A.M. the train arrived from Greensboro at the depot, whither a large number had gone from Salem and Winston to greet the excursionists. There were cars filled with young and old, who were escorted to our Square by

the Sunday Schools of Salem and Winston, headed by the Brass Band. After spending the day in the Square, Church, pleasure grounds, and the town generally, they started for Greensboro at 6 P.M. The busy scene at the depot, where omnibuses, etc., were in waiting, almost seemed to transport us to some other locality. Tomorrow the train will begin to run regularly, leaving Salem for Greensboro at 4:40 P.M. and arriving again at [blank]. Fare [blank].

Mon., Aug. 4. At 1 P.M. the married br. Orestes A. Keehl had two fingers of his left hand so severely cut by a circular saw at Fogle Bros.' saw mill that they had to be taken off at the first joint.

Sun., Aug. 10. (Celebration of 13th.) At 2 P.M. Br. O. kept the Lovefeast, to which, in accordance with a resolution of the Congregation Council, only communicant members of our own and other churches were admitted. At 1/2 hour's intermission (about 3:05 P.M.) followed the Holy Communion, at which there was a very good attendance.

Fri., Aug. 22. Another S.S. excursion came from Greensborough to Winston. Many visited Salem.

Sat., Aug. 30. Another S.S. picnic from several places came to Winston and Salem today. Tables had been put up in the Square. It is supposed that over 1,000 people came. Those of our S. Sch. who wished went to greet them at the depot. It was very warm, and one little boy fainted in the procession (Fr. Patterson).

Tues., Sept. 23. At 7 P.M. the Congregation Council met to hear the report of the Committee appointed at the last meeting (July 29th). The report having been read by the Chairman of the Committee (Br. E. A. de S.), its recommendations were adopted (with slight alteration) by the Council, which adjourned to next Thursday evening to hear the new Charter.

Thurs., Sept. 25. At 7 P.M. the Congregation Council met, and the draft of the Charter, as prepared by the Committee, was adopted.

Thurs., Oct. 2. At 7 P.M. [was] the annual meeting of the Male Missionary Society. Only 10 brn. were present. We must try to revive the Society. Most of the old members have departed, and no new ones have joined lately, as the Society has not been in operation for some years.

Sun., Oct. 5. In the afternoon he [Br. Oerter] was taken to the house of John Tice in Winston (the last house) to baptize

his infant son, aged 9 mos. A nice little company of relatives and friends was assembled. The colored people were holding a camp meeting at their church nearby.

Mon., Oct. 6. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the monthly missionary prayer meeting. . . . [W]e referred chiefly to the letters from Emtumasi and Paramaribo (where the negroes celebrated their complete emancipation) in the last *Missionsblatt*.

Wed., Oct. 8. Br. [and Sr.] E. P. Greider arrived with the cars at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. from the North.

Wed., Oct. 15. The State Fair is held this week at Raleigh, and quite a number are going down per R.R. Two trains run daily; fare \$3.90 in all, there and back, including ticket to the Fair.

Wed., Oct. 22. There is still considerable sickness in town, chills and fever and measles.

Thurs., Nov. 6. This A.M. the Country Ministers' Conference met at Br. E. A. de Schweinitz's. The congregations are now all again supplied, the brn. D. Z. Smith and E. P. Greider having arrived safely from the North, and entered upon their respective charges.

Fri., Nov. 14. A bitter cold morning, making ice, 16° in some places.

Fri., Nov. 28. One of the pupils in the Female Academy was so badly burned by her clothes taking fire at a stove that her life is despaired of. She was alone when the flames broke out, and ran to seek help, but before she found it was very badly burned indeed. Some of the girls tried to extinguish the flames, but vainly. Br. Edw. Lineback, coming in, succeeded in doing so, but not without burning himself badly. One of the other girls who tried to put out the fire was also somewhat burnt. A sad and mysterious Providence! Between 40 and 50 of the pupils had been ill with the measles, and two were dangerously so for a time, but all were now recovering, when suddenly one who was in perfect health and in the bloom of youth thus meets with a terrible end.

Sat., Nov. 29. Sarah Tilkey, the unfortunate sufferer of yesterday, died about 7 A.M. She said that she did not suffer, and was very patient and resigned, seeming prepared and willing to die. The Lord be praised for this, and grant that she has found a place prepared for her in his presence!

Sun., Nov. 30. 1st Sunday in Advent. The usual choir pieces could not be performed today, Br. Linebach, the organist, being

disabled by his burns. The parents of the poor girl who was burnt arrived this A.M. and left at noon, taking her remains home with them to Augusta, Geo. Thus we enter upon this festive season of Advent with an unusual gloom upon the community.

Wed., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. The streets are muddy in consequence of the light fall of snow and sleet of Monday night, and the walking is bad. At 4:30 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. kept the Lovefeast for the youngest children, and at 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the other Lovefeast, which was very numerously attended; the church was full. About 200 invitation tickets had been issued. There was considerable shooting of firecrackers on the street, which is certainly very inappropriate.

Fri., Dec. 26. At 7 P.M. there was a lecture in the Academy chapel, styled "The Defense of Science," by Prof. Blake of Davidson College for the benefit of Salem Literary Society. The position assumed by the Prof. was the correct one, viz., that true science and true religion are not antagonistic, but one. The attendance was pretty good—admission 50 cents.

Tues., Dec. 30. At 7 P.M. the Xmas Dialogue was repeated in the Female Academy, a most enjoyable Xmas treat. There was a large painting of the Nativity in an artificial grotto with pine trees above and on each side, behind which were the musicians, and in front the girls.

Wed., Dec. 31. At 4:30 P.M. Br. O. kept the children's closing service, at which quite a nice little number attended. At 8 P.M. he read the Memorabilia to a full church, and at 11:30 kept the closing service of the year, the church being again well filled. Some of the sisters held a Refreshment Fair or Supper in the Boys' School House between the services, which was well patronized. The object was to raise money for the repairing of the graveyard.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1873

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

January, February, March. The weather during the winter months was very severe and unfavorable. Meetings were held with more or less regularity by the Br. A. Gates. *Sun., Jan. 19.* Br. E. A. de S., whose time on Sundays is very much occupied

on account of the want of ministers in our Province, preached at 10 A.M. to a very small congregation.

Sun., Apr. 13. Easter. Br. Grunert prayed the Easter Morning Litany and preached to a pretty large congregation.

May. Meetings as usual held by Br. Gates and Br. L. Hege.

August, September, October. During these months the meetings were not regularly held. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz was engaged in official duties away from Salem, and Br. Alex Gates, did not attend to the holding of meetings. The S. School was, however, kept up and attended.

On *Dec. 26* at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the S. School had their Christmas celebration with a Christmas tree. Sr. Maria Crist is very faithful in her superintendence of the S.S., which at the close of the year numbers 50 scholars, with 4 white and 3 colored teachers.

Salem Congregation Council, 1873

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., May 6.

Notice being given by the Board [of] Trustees that the creeping ivy in the graveyard was rapidly spreading over a large number of graves, as also into some of the walks, and desiring some action or instruction upon the subject, gave rise to a lengthy discussion in regard thereto, as well as to the planting of shrubs and flowers, when the motion was made, seconded, and carried that the Board [of] Trustees be requested to draft a series of rules and regulations in regard to the graveyard, which shall be referred to some future meeting of the Council for action thereon, and that the Board shall in the meantime have the evergreens trimmed.

The Board of Elders, desiring the opinion of the meeting in regard to changing the Congregation lovefeast of the 13th August to a communion lovefeast, elicited the desire on the part of some brethren to abolish the lovefeast ceremony entirely, that service having lost the true spirit for which it was instituted, through the attendance of so many persons who are not members of our or any other church.

The meeting being unwilling to act upon the latter question at present, the motion was made that the lovefeast of Aug. 13 be held as a communion lovefeast only, as proposed by the Board of Elders, which was carried, and the Council adjourned.

Tues., July 29.

Council met with an attendance of 28 members, and was opened in the usual manner, after which the minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The Chairman stated that Bro. S. Thos. Pfohl, for 36 years the Warden of the Congregation, having on account of sickness and failing health found it necessary to resign the duties which he had for so many years faithfully performed, an arrangement was immediately organized by the Board of Trustees for conducting the business of that office, but since this was only temporary and could not long continue, this meeting was called for the purpose of deliberating upon the future management of the affairs of the congregation.

Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz gave a lengthy and satisfactory explanation of the connection formerly existing between our Province and the Unity in regard to the financial affairs, which remained under the general supervision of the Wardens' College until the General Synod of 1857, when a financial separation was introduced and all the property belonging thereto was divided and every Province was to assume the management of its own funds.

The former "lease system" having been abolished about the same time, the change necessitated new rules and principles for the government of the Congregation, which were adopted in May 1859, and contemplated a future change in the office of Warden. That office being now vacant, the P.E.C. could not appoint another Warden, unless those rules were changed, and in their opinion the time has now arrived when the Warden's office should cease to exist, and the Board of Trustees should themselves manage the affairs of the Congregation with officers of their own selection and who should be responsible to them.

The title to the lands belonging to the Diacony being still vested in the Proprietor,¹ the Congregation, in order to hold the property legally or make good title thereto in case of sale,

¹E. A. de Schweinitz had been the Proprietor as well as Administrator since 1853 and would remain so until the Southern Province was incorporated in 1877 as "Board of Provincial Elders of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church, or Unitas Fratrum." Until the incorporation of Salem Congregation in 1873 as "Congregation of United Brethren of Salem and its vicinity" and the incorporation of the Southern Province, all church lands were sold under the name of the Proprietor, E. A. de Schweinitz.

must take the necessary steps to become an incorporated body, which being done, together with the fulfillment of certain conditions (being an annual contribution to the Sustentation Diacony) entered into in the sale of the lands in the year 1826, the deed would be made, and they become the true owners of said property.

Bro. de Schweinitz then introduced the following preamble and resolutions, viz.:

"Whereas Bro. S. T. Pfohl, who for nearly 36 years served the Salem Congregation as Warden with great faithfulness, has, on account of failing health, resigned his office,

"And whereas the settlement of the question in what way the temporal affairs of the Congregation shall hereafter be managed is urgent,

"And whereas it is the opinion of the Prov. Elders Conference that the change in the management of the business matters of the Congregation, already contemplated and provided for in the new 'Principles and Discipline,' adopted by the Congregation Council May 19, 1859, and approved by P.E.C. May 20, 1859, should now be carried out, which change involves, in its main features:

"1. A cessation or discontinuance of the office of Warden, and the appointment of a Treasurer, by the Board of Trustees.

"2. The incorporation of Salem Congregation, to enable the Board of Trustees legally to hold and administer the property of the Congregation.

"3. A new arrangement with Sustentation Diacony, in reference to the future relation of Salem Diacony to the same, according to the Agreement of 1826.

"And whereas the Board of Elders has convened the Council of the Congregation for the consideration of this matter, therefore be it:

"1st, *Resolved that*, this important subject (in all its bearings) be referred by Council to a Committee for mature deliberation, with instructions to report a plan for effecting the change alluded to, on the basis indicated above.

"2. *Resolved that*, this Committee be composed 1st of the Proprietor, who is the legal holder of all the property of Salem Congregation, 2d of the two other members of the Prov. Eld. Conference, [and] 3d of [blank] brethren to be elected by Council.

"3. *Resolved that*, this Committee be authorized to employ a secretary, not a member of the Committee, if necessary."

The resolutions were seconded, and the motion made that the blank in the third clause of the 2d Resolution be filled by 3, which was amended to 5, and being seconded, upon a division of the vote was carried, and the Resolutions adopted.

Tues., Sept. 23.

The meeting of Council was opened in the usual form, 23 members in attendance.

After reading the minutes, the chairman stated that the Committee appointed at the meeting of July 29th was ready to submit their report, which was read by Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz, Chairman of the Committee, as follows.

"Report of the Committee appointed by the Congregation Council July 29, 1873, consisting of the Proprietor, the two other members of the P.E.C., and the Brethren John D. Siewers, Henry W. Fries, J. Francis Shaffner, John G. Sides and John W. Fries, elected by Council:

"A resolution of the following import was offered in the Council held July 29, 1873:

"That a plan be reported by a Committee appointed for the purpose for effecting the change in the management of the temporal affairs of the Congregation, which was contemplated and, in a measure, provided for in the new 'Principles and Discipline' adopted in 1859, which change in its features, involves:

"1. The discontinuance of the office of Warden, and the appointment of a Treasurer, by the Board of Trustees.

"2d. The incorporation of Salem Congregation, to enable the Board of Trustees legally to hold and administer the property of the Congregation.

"3d. A new arrangement with Sust. Diacony in reference to the future relation of Salem Congregation to the same, according to the agreement of 1826.

"This resolution was referred to the above named Committee, which after mature consideration of the subject in all its hearings, submits to Council the result of its deliberations as follows:

"A. Warden's Office, Treasurer, Financial affairs.

"The abolition of the former 'Lease System' and the changes in the outward affairs of the Unity, made by the General Synod of 1857, and the consequent corresponding changes in this Province and Congregation, introduced in 1858

and 1859, make the appointment by the P.E.C. of a successor to Bro. S. T. Pfohl as Warden, in the opinion of the Committee, neither advisable, expedient, nor desirable. If the Principles and Discipline of 1859, now in force, are to be carried out, the Board of Trustees must assume the position assigned it therein. (See Pr. & D., page 11.)

"In this way, more general information concerning the affairs of the Congregation will be diffused, greater interest awakened, the business simplified, and the expenses of administration reduced. The Committee therefore recommend to Council:

"1. That the office of Warden cease, and that the Board of Trustees assume the whole arrangement and direction of the external and financial affairs of the Congregation, according to the rules and regulations laid down in Pr. & D. of '59, page 11, and that as a necessary consequence the Board of Trustees appoint a Treasurer. (*Note:* For the term Diacony the word "Congregation" should be substituted.)

"2. That in view of the annual deficit of the Congregation, and in order to simplify the business as much as possible, Council direct the Trustees to realize the unproductive property of the Congregation and invest the proceeds in safe public securities. By the sale of the land belonging to the Congregation, which is at present unproductive, the income of the Congregation will be sufficiently increased to meet all the expenses. The principle should be ever kept in view that a present reasonable cash price is infinitely preferable to an uncertain, possible higher price years hence, especially as the real estate of the Congregation is not only unproductive, but actually a source of expense, on account of taxes, and liable to constant deterioration of the timber.

"3. That the following lots and pieces of land belonging to the Congregation be reserved and shall not be sold, except with the express consent of Council, in each case separately obtained, convened for the purpose, viz.: church lot, parsonage lot, Boys School house lot, Widows house lot, former Warden's lot, Sisters house lot, lot of colored people's Church, graveyard and land north, east, and south of the same, all the land, including the new graveyard of the colored congregation and the spring east of Cedar Avenue and Church Street to a line running south from the colored graveyard to the road leading to the former Henry Blum place, Cedar Avenue from the junction of Church and Bank Streets to Cemetery Street, all

the land rented by Salem Female Academy, the spring west of Salem (called Cool Spring) with the adjoining land, the square in Salem before Academy and Sisters house, the right of way of the water troughs, the colored school house lot on the south side of Middlefork with some acres of land adjoining including the spring, the tract of meadow land known as the Potter's meadow and containing about three acres, the woodland south of the old paper mill road, between Salem and the former David Spach place. All other lots and lands belonging to the Congregation to be sold. (*Note: The regulations laid down in 1857 in reference to town lots held under lease remain in force.*)

"4. That the contributions of members of the Congregation, known as Church expenses, be hereafter *collected* quarterly, in the manner the Board of Trustees may direct. And that every member of the church be expected to pay the same in cash to the collector, whether he have a running account with congregation or not. And that delinquent payers be hereafter *not* charged in the books of the Congregation, but that separate lists be kept for the purpose.

"B. Incorporation.

"The Committee herewith submit the draft of a charter, and recommend that an act of incorporation, according to this draft, be procured at the next session of the General Assembly of N. C.

"C. Future relation of Salem Congregation to Wachovia Sustentn. Diacony.

"Salem Congregation is bound by the agreement of 1826 to contribute to Wa. Sust. Diacony annually, according to its means and ability. For many years the yearly contribution, including contribution to the Theological Seminary, amounted to \$435.00. On account of losses incurred in consequence of the war, at the request of the Board of Trustees, the annual contribution was reduced to \$210 in 1867. By the sale of the present unproductive property of the Congregation, its income is being greatly improved, and larger annual contributions, than the present, could therefore in all fairness be expected. It is, however, the opinion of the Committee that it would be better for both parties to come to an agreement by which the *annual* contribution to Wa. Sustn. Diacony would cease entirely. It therefore proposes and recommends the following arrangement, which has the sanction of the Financial Board and the Proprietor, to wit: In lieu of an annual contribution,

Salem congregation agrees to pay to Wa. Sust. Diac. the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). By the payment of this sum all contributions to Wa. Sust. Diacy., except special, voluntary ones, cease forever. This sum of \$10,000 is to be paid from the proceeds realized by the sale of real estate, the Congregation pledging itself to pay to Sust. Diacy. one-third part of all such proceeds annually, until the whole sum of \$10,000 is paid.

"The proposals contained in this report are unanimously recommended by the Committee to Council for adoption.

"They are in accordance with the Pr. & D. of 1859, and, in the opinion of the Committee, calculated to place the external affairs of the Congr. on a firm and sound foundation.

"Salem Sept. 23, 1873."

Upon motion the report of the Committee was received and recommendations contained therein acted upon in the order in which they were presented, the only change made being in the second recommendation, which was amended by striking out the word "public" in the first paragraph of that section, when they were adopted in full.

The consideration of that portion of the report marked "B" relating to Incorporation was postponed for action at the next meeting, when a draft of the Charter would be submitted.

Section "C" being then taken up, was passed by Council, when the motion prevailed to adjourn, Council to meet again on Thursday next.

Thurs., Sept. 25.

After reading the minutes of previous meeting, the Act of Incorporation was communicated.

It was resolved that it should be read by sections.

After some discussion it was resolved that the limitation to \$3,000 in section II be omitted. It was resolved that the whole charter be adopted as amended.

The Report of the Committee was again communicated as a whole, and as such adopted.

Upon motion of Br. E. A. de Schweinitz it was resolved that "The Board of Trustees are hereby instructed not to make any investments, other than in public securities, except such as are secured by first mortgages of undoubted value."

[Inserted here in the Congregation Council minutes is the proposed "*Act to Incorporate the members of the Congregation of United Brethren of Salem and its vicinity.*"]

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1873

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., June 3.

Br. J. L. Fulkerson, having been elected a member of this Board at the Cong. Council held last month, took his seat, and was welcomed into our midst.

A circular from the President of the College and Theological Seminary at Bethlehem, Pa., was read. It calls for candidates for the ministry.

Wed., July 23.

Br. S. T. Pfohl having some time ago resigned his office as Warden on account of the increasing infirmities of age, P.E.C. has communicated to this Board its opinion that a Cong. Council should be held as soon as possible.

A meeting of the Cong. Council was appointed for next Tues. evening.

Tues., Sept. 9.

(The Cong. Council appointed at the last meeting of Board was held on Tues. evening, July 29th. A committee was appointed to draft a plan for the new arrangement of affairs, on the basis of a series of resolutions offered by Br. E. A. de Schweinitz. On Tues., Sept. 23d, Council met to hear the report of the committee, and its recommendations, providing for the appointing of a Treas., in connection with the Board of Trustees, to have charge of the temporal affairs of the Cong., the sale of a part of the lands, and a safe investment of the Funds, were adopted. On Thursday evening, an adjourned meeting of the Council was held, at which the draft of a Charter, to be submitted to the next Legislature, was read and adopted.)

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1873

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Jan. 20. Full Board.

2. It was resolved to continue Cherry Street in Winston to the northern boundary line of Salem land, and to lay out the lots between it and Old Town Street in the same manner as

those between 4th and 5th Street, i.e. dividing the distance between Cherry and Old Town Streets into 2 equal parts and consequently giving the lots on either street a depth of about 160 odd feet.

4. Application for the purchase of some of the Salem Town Land situated near the Belews Creek road having been made by different parties, Board turned its attention to the serious, and for the Diacony vital, question of the sale of at least a portion of its vacant land, a question that had to some extent previously already occasionally occupied its attention. It was resolved as a preliminary measure on next Thursday afternoon to go over the ground and become better acquainted with the nature and bearing of this land before entering more seriously on this subject. (See min. Sept. 13, 1870, §3.)

Tues., Jan. 28. Not present Br. Chrn. Thos. Pfohl (indisposed).

1. [A] letter from Francis Jordan & Sons, in answer to certain enquiries addressed to them in reference to investments, was communicated to the Board, in which, after having stated the prices that were paid for Pennsa. State Loan, they highly recommend North Pennsa. Rail Road bonds bearing 7% interest, but subject to a state tax of 5% on the interest, which is charged to the holders of the bonds.

Board, taking into consideration in the first place that the bonds are secured by a second mortgage only, and 2ndly the great and yearly increasing number of R.R.'s and the possibility, not to say probability, that a road now in a prosperous condition may by a rival line more favourably located as to trade be deprived of a material portion of its custom, or by expensive undertakings be involved in financial difficulties, the motion was made, seconded, and adopted that we invest in Pennsylvania State Loan of 2nd series, bearing 6% yearly interest, payable half yearly on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1 at the Farmers & Mechanics National Bank of Philadelphia (interest exempt from state, municipal, and local taxation in Pennsa.), bonds redeemable at the pleasure of the Commonwealth after Feb. 1, 1877, and payable on Feb. 1, 1882.

2. The Salem Savings Institute is now paying the 5th instalment on the principal (making in all 50% in princ.) on condition that the certificates be surrendered, with the promise that if hereafter more funds should become available they should be paid to the present holders the same as if the certificates

were still in their possession. Under these circumstances the Warden applies to the Board for instructions how to act with regard to the certificates in his hands belonging to the Salem Diacony, Single Sisters' Diacony and Single Sisters Poorfund, the dividend on which (if at the same rate as the former) would amount to \$2,043.90?

By inquiry at the proper source it has been ascertained the Institute has met with heavy losses, principally on account of the late war, but is still in possession of some property consisting of land, which, however, cannot be made available at present without subjecting the Institute to additional loss if thrown into market. Besides this, there is a suit pending in court for \$5,000, which possibly may be decided in favor of the Institute. No regular statement or exhibit of the real condition of the Institute having been made to the holders of the certificates, and it appearing improbable that it ever will be done, persons interested are left either to act in the dark with regard to the surrender of their certificates, or to resort to legal measures, the ultimate result of which, after all expenses incurred, would be extremely doubtful. Board, altho' not convinced of the propriety or the right of the Institute to make the above stated conditions under which the 5th instalment is paid, but on the other hand not willing to enter into litigation in a case where eventually perhaps no more could be gained than is now offered, resolved to comply with the conditions, considering this the more prudent course under the circumstances. The Warden was consequently instructed to draw the 5th instalment and surrender the certificates in question. The amount thus realized, together with the deposits in the Bank, making in all about \$4,000, are to be invested in Pennsa. State Loan as stated in §1 of these minutes.

Mon., Feb. 10. Full Board.

1. Board . . . was then led to speak of several matters having reference to our Graveyard, viz.: 1st that we should be stricter in enforcing the rule that tombstones should be furnished, and 2nd that the practice that has to some extent existed for a number of years already (followed, however, only in a few cases), of selecting a particular or favourite spot where to bury their dead, should be discontinued altogether, and the Warden was instructed to refuse all applications of that kind and to order the grave digger to make the graves in regular

succession in the row then filling up, and not to dig in another until the regular row is finished.

Another subject touched upon related to the planting of evergreens on the graves, which threaten eventually to overrun the whole of our graveyard and have already spread so far as in a number of cases entirely to hide both graves and tombstones. It is desirable that this practice, as also that of planting anything else but sods on the graves, should be abandoned and that especially the evergreens should be exterminated if it is possible to do so. As this is a subject in which the feelings of the relatives of the departed are involved, Board will, before acting in the case, lay the matter before the Congregation Council at its next meeting.

2. . . . Upon motion it was resolved to offer for sale that part lying between the Belews Creek road and the R.R., and from the branch to our eastern boundary, as Board is of opinion that the present is as favorable a time for selling as any that may be expected. It was further resolved that this tract of land be first surveyed before further arrangements with a view to its sale are made.

Tues., Mar. 4. Full Board.

2. Application having been made for lots aside of the Shallowford road on W. side of Spruce street, which, however, has not yet been opened, Board was of opinion that in case the Commissioners of Winston should be averse to the opening of that street on account of the expenses that would have to be incurred by the Corporation, we might still lay out lots on both sides of the Shallowford road, as that exists already, without increasing the town expenses.

Tues., Mar. 11. Not present Br. Charles Hauser.

3. Application has been made by the Fogle Brothers and Augustus N. Reich for permission to establish a brickyard in the meadow near the bridge east of the Waughtown road. Their intention is to work by machinery and to furnish a large number of brick. Board grants them permission on condition that they pay the price heretofore established, viz., 25 cents per 1,000 brick. The meadow having for a number of years been rented to F. & H. Fries, it will be necessary that they come to an understanding with them, with regard to the fencing and other improvements on it.

Thurs., Mar. 27. Br. Chs. Hauser not present.

2. Fogle Bros. and A. N. Reich have now come to an understanding with regard to the improvement claimed by F. & H. Fries on the meadow.

It was resolved that we enter into a written agreement with the parties stating that they shall have the use of said meadow for 3 years, term to be extended after the expiration of that time if agreeable to both parties, on the following conditions, viz.: that for the ground not used for a brickyard they pay an annual rent of \$1.20 per acre (the same as charged heretofore), and for every 1,000 brick they put into the kiln 25 cents, payment also to be made annually, and further that the right to make brick on this piece of ground shall be restricted exclusively to them and that consequently they be not permitted to sublet it to any one else.

3. Application having been made for a lot in Winston situated on the E. side of Main St. north of 6th St. (not yet laid out), Board established the price of \$8 for the same.

It was further resolved that the spring from which in former times the water was conducted to Salem, lying west of Winston, together with some land surrounding it be not sold, as it might become of importance hereafter to have the control over it.¹

5. Br. Aug. Fogle having made application to purchase the plantation near town on the E. side of the R.R., which he has held under lease for many years already, Board had a protracted deliberation on the subject, and without coming to any decision resolved to inspect the premises tomorrow afternoon before proceeding further in the case.

Mon., Mar. 31. Not present Br. Chs. Hauser.

1. According to appointment of the last meeting, Board on Friday went over the Fogle plantation, and then had another deliberation on the subject, during which different propositions with regard to its sale were made and spoken of, among the rest, to continue the Belews' Creek road E. of the R.R. in a straight line into the field E. of the house and then at a right angle into the road to the W. of the meadow, then sell the land N. of this line to Aug. Fogle, exempting, however, a strip in the

¹This became the "Reservation," surrounding the present-day Calvary Moravian Church.

bottom, in order to retain command over the ground thro' which the water is conducted to the waterworks supplying a part of the town. The woodland at the E. end of the plantation Br. F. wishes to buy along with the fields. It is estimated that after reserving the bottom there may remain about 20 acres, and \$40 an acre was spoken of as a price that might perhaps be just and right to both parties. No definite conclusion having been arrived at on Friday, Board now again took up the subject, and finally resolved to postpone the matter for the present, the value of the land in the neighbourhood being at this time extremely uncertain, owing to the excitement prevailing in the minds of the people originating from the prospect of the speedy completion of the N.W.N.C.R.R.

3. The certificates of Pennsa. State Loan have now been bo't for the Diacony by Francis Jordan & Sons, viz., \$2,000 at 107 $\frac{1}{4}$ and \$2,000 at 107 $\frac{3}{4}$, all of Series 2nd. (See min. Jan. 28, 1873, §1.)

Mon., Apr. 28. Not present the Brnn. Chs. Hauser and Edwd. Blum.

1. The Winston Town Commissioners wish 5th St. to be continued some distance beyond the point to which it has already been laid out, and then to be turned so as to connect with the present Shallowford road at some point near the old Plank road, thereby changing their communication westwardly from 4th to 5th Street, owing to the broken condition of the ground over which the road would pass if 4th St. were continued beyond Hickory Street.

Board is of opinion that in laying out of lots further to the W. on 5th St. the streets running N. and S. would naturally form the connection between 5th Street and the Shallowford road without making an irregular bend in that street.

2. It being necessary to make a new fence at the New Negro Graveyard in the course of the summer, Board is agreed that its front be bro't into line with the N. fence of the Cemetery, and that it also be extended on the E. side, as the present enclosure is nearly filled with graves. The credit standing in the books of the Diacony on the account of this graveyard, derived from the sale of graves for persons not belonging to the Negro Church, amounting at present to upwards of \$100, will be amply sufficient to meet this expense.

3. A note owned by Salem Diacony against Darius Masten, deceased years ago but never settled by his executor Mathias Masten, who himself is security in it and who also died a few months ago, is to be given into the hands of an attorney for collection.

Fri., May 30.

The Board, consisting of the Brn. J. D. Siewers, J. G. Sides, E. T. Blum, and A. F. Pfohl with newly elected members Brn. H. W. Fries and J. W. Hunter were called together by Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz, Pres. of the P.E.C., all the members present except Bro. Hunter, who was absent on account of sickness.

1. Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz, being requested to act as chairman, communicated the intelligence that Bro. S. T. Pfohl, for 36 years the faithful Warden of the Congregation, and Chairman and Secretary of the Board, had on account of his present serious illness and the feebleness incident to his advancing years, felt himself [no] longer to fulfill the duties of his office and has therefore found it necessary to resign the same, and it being impracticable for many reasons for the P.E.C. to appoint a successor at present, the Board had therefore been called together to select a Chairman and Secretary for the ensuing year and perfect an ad-interim organization until the P.E.C. could either appoint a Warden, or a change was effected by some future meeting of the Congregation Council, dispensing with that office entirely.

2. Bro. de Schweinitz further stated that he would as Administrator in the meantime take charge of all the books, funds and papers belonging to the office, and with the assistance of Bro. Jas. Lineback, who was acquainted with the system of keeping the books, attend to the clerical labors.

3. The motion was then made, seconded and carried to proceed to the election of a Chairman and Secretary, which resulted in the choice of Bro. Jno. D. Siewers as Chairman and A. F. Pfohl as Secretary for the ensuing year.

4. Br. James T. Lineback was appointed temporary Treasurer and Book-keeper, under the supervision of Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz, with instructions to collect the accounts of the last financial year, and to pay the current salaries, all other payments to be made only upon the order of the Superintendent, and Bro. de Schweinitz was requested to inform him of his election.

5. The motion further prevailed to appoint a Superintendent, whose duty it shall be to attend to the sale of lots, the care of the church edifice, Widows and Sisters House, the repairs of buildings, and such other matters as devolved upon the Warden, except those only which belong to the finances as provided for by the election of Treasurer. To this position Bro. J. G. Sides was elected.

6. The temporary organization having been thus effected, Br. E. A. de S. called the attention of the Board to the fact that by his resignation the former Warden relinquishes his salary, and has therefore no further claim for compensation, but in consideration of his long and faithful services, and the fact that he did not draw the full amount to which he was entitled, and the further fact that the pension allowance to retired laborers is insufficient for his maintenance, asked the liberality and kindly feelings of the Board in his behalf. The subject was postponed for future action.

Thurs., July 24.

The Board met upon the call of the chairman, all present except Bro. Hunter.

The following communication from the P.E.C. was read and received the sanction of the Board.

"To the Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation.

"Dear Brethren,

"Bro. S. T. Pfohl having resigned his office of Warden of Salem congregation after long and faithful service, a speedy solution of the question, in what manner the temporal affairs of the congregation shall hereafter be managed, is very desirable. A temporary arrangement was made at the time of Bro. Pfohl's resignation to relieve him at once from the burden of his office. The object of this arrangement has been gained—the books of the Diacony have been closed, and the yearly accounts made out. They are now ready for presentation to the Board of Trustees. It is the unanimous opinion of the P.E.C. that the time has now arrived to effect the change in the management of the temporal affairs of the congregation, which was already contemplated and provided for in the new 'Principles and Discipline' adopted by the Congregation Council May 19, 1859, and approved by the P.E.C. May 20, 1859. This change is a natural consequence of the abrogation of the old 'Lease System' in 1859 and involves:

"1st: The discontinuance of the office of Warden, and the appointment of a Treasurer in his place by the Board of Trustees.

"2. The incorporation of Salem congregation, to enable the Board of Trustees legally to hold and manage the property of the congregation.

"3. A new arrangement with the Sustentation Diacony in reference to the relation of the Salem Diacony to the same, according to the agreement of 1826.

"The undersigned, at present the legal proprietor of all the property of Salem Diacony and at the same time the person charged with the duty of seeing the stipulations of the agreement of 1826 faithfully carried out, is very desirous for a speedy and permanent settlement of the affairs of Salem Diacony on the basis indicated above for various weighty reasons.

"In view, therefore, of all the circumstances, the P.E.C. suggest to the Board of Elders the propriety of convening a Congregation Council as soon as possible for the consideration of this important matter.

"The Prov. Elders Conference

"Salem, July 15, 1873 E. A. de Schweinitz, President

"P.S.: In order to give the Board of Trustees time to examine the yearly accounts, it is suggested that the meeting of Council be not publicly announced before Sunday, July 27th."

The accounts of the Diacony and Single Sisters Diacony for the fiscal year ending April 30 were communicated, the former showing a deficiency of receipts of \$623.15, which was ordered to be closed by a transfer to the Insurance fund. The Single Sisters' Diacony has a surplus of receipts over the payments of \$164.03.

In consideration of the many years of service rendered our Congregation by the former Warden, the motion prevailed that the full amount received by Bro. S. T. Pfohl shall be continued as heretofore, and in order to effect this, the Treasurer is instructed to pay him an allowance at the rate of \$200.00 per year, being the amount still required in addition to his stipend and salary as Treasurer of the Financial Board.

Thurs., Aug. 21.

Secty. not present, and Bro. J. T. Lineback requested to act as Secty. of this meeting.

As there have been instances, where applicants for lots were not prepared immediately to pay for them, but desired to

retain the refusal of such lots for an indefinite time, Board determined that *no such pre-emption* could be granted, but that applicants must at once take and pay for lots.

Upon motion the name "Liberty" was given to that street running from the east end of Third street, Winston, to the Germanton road at Alex. White's.

Thurs., Sept. 11. Full Board present.

All of the lots which were laid out for sale to colored people having been disposed of and application being made for more, it was resolved to lay off as many as the ground will admit of between the present town and the land leased to Emanl. Reich.

The Treasurer reported having the sum of \$3,449.85 cash on hand, the greater portion of which should be invested. Among the securities offered, he was instructed to invest the sum of \$3,000 in coupon bonds of the Northern Pacific Rail Road, bearing 7.30 gold interest.

Mon., Oct. 13. Bro. Henry Fries and Secty. both absent from home.

The investment directed at last meeting to be made in Northern Pacific R.R. bonds, owing to the financial panic which had since then occurred causing distrust in R.R. securities, was not made, but was deposited with Shoher and Wilson of Greensboro at eight per cent interest, they having deposited N.C.R.R. bonds as collateral security, which receives the sanction of the Board.

Board directs that certain persons who have been in the habit of coming regularly into our neighborhood at night and selling spirituous liquors shall be informed that henceforth they are prohibited from carrying on their traffic upon any of the lands under the control of this Board.

Sat., Oct. 18.

According to agreement, Board met in the morning of Oct. 18th at Gray's factory, Bros. Blum and Pfohl absent, and viewed the land lying west of the old Factory lot and south of the new Shallowford road, with the intention of laying of lots. It was determined to widen the street running south towards the tan yard to 40 feet, then face two lots on New Shallowford street 100 ft. front and 200 feet depth, and front the remainder of the lots on [the] 1st west street 200 feet deep by 100 ft.

width and lay off a street on the west side running north and south, and connect the two parallel streets by another running from west to east at such place as would be most suitable when the lots were surveyed.

Mon., Oct. 27. Board met, Br. Pfohl absent.

As Br. James Lineback desires to be released from the duties of Treasurer, which office he has filled temporarily, the question arose: who should be appointed as his successor, and at what salary. The present incumbent proposes his brother Julius Lineback, and the Chairman was directed to speak with him, and the salary proposed was \$250.00 to \$300.00 if he would attend to all of the duties recently attended to by Bros. Leinback and Sides.

Br. Allen Spach desires to know what salary he is to receive for attending to the additional duties required of him as first sexton, and Br. Sides was requested to speak with him on the subject and report to Board.

Thurs., Oct. 30. Board met. Bro. Pfohl absent.

Br. Julius Lineback, having been approached as to taking charge of the books of the Diacony and also of attending to the duties recently performed by Br. Sides, proposes to discharge said duties for \$480.00 per year. Board objects to this price, it being too high.

Br. Fries proposed Henry Siddall, who had signified his willingness to perform the above duties for the sum of \$300.00 per year. Board agrees to employ Br. Siddall.

Br. Fries was requested to look after the interests of the Diacony relative to a new road at Atwood's hill running through their land. Also to explain the road matter to Board of Commissioners on Saturday next, Board objecting to said road running through their lands.

Br. Sides was requested to act as surveyor for the present.

Mon., Nov. 3. Board met. Brs. Blum and Pfohl absent.

Br. Siddall sent in a proposition offering to keep the books as heretofore kept by Bro. S. Thos. Pfohl, make collections, be present at surveys of lots and lands, attend the Board meetings and keep the minutes, fill up the deeds, and show lots and lands to persons desiring to purchase.

Bro. Sides agreed to attend to the other duties heretofore performed by Bro. Pfohl except matters about the Church for \$75.00.

Mon., Nov. 10. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

Bro. J. T. Lineback transferred to H. A. Siddall \$40.35 cash, being \$2.64 more than cash book calls for, also the following bonds and notes belonging to the Salem Congregation Diacony, viz.: three \$1,000 U. S. bonds numbered 45805, 142.262 and 155574; 2 Penn. State loans Nos. 3187 and 3207 of \$2,000 each; 1 note upon I. G. Lash of \$500; 1 upon Joshua Rights of \$25.00; 1 upon C. L. Banner of \$52.23; 1 upon Frederic M. Snider of \$15.82; 1 upon Boner & Crist of \$15,000; 2 upon Augustus Fogle of \$85.10 and \$66.00; one upon S. E. Butner of \$484.70; one upon H. A. Linebach of \$240.00; one upon C. A. Fogle of \$350.00; one upon W. J. Hauser of \$54.39; one upon T. F. Keehn of \$48.43; one upon Edwd. Spach of \$56.94; one upon Alex. Ackerman of \$175.83; one upon Emanl. Reich of \$86.14; one upon L. N. Clinard of \$177.77; one upon Christian Fogle of \$373.00; also J. T. Lineback's draft on First Natl. Bank for \$74.03. \$58.27 cash and a note of \$120.00 upon Lewis Pfohl counted as cash belonging to Single Sisters Diacony being \$1.28 more than cash book calls for, and \$130.34 cash the property of the Single Sisters Poorfund.

The bill for the [in]corporation of the Congregation was handed to Bro. Hunter to hand to Wm. H. Wheeler with the request that Mr. Wheeler would bring it before the General Assembly.

Mon., Nov. 24. Bro. Fries absent.

Bro. A. A. Spach has agreed to attend to the Church matters for seventy-five dollars and pay his Church expenses.

Mon., Dec. 8. Br. Blum absent.

The subject of an investment was discussed, and the Treasurer was ordered to pay \$800.00 to the Sustentation and to also buy a Philada. City bond. Br. Hy. Fries was requested to correspond and attend to buying the bond. It was also decided to have the bond made payable to Br. S. Thos. Pfohl.

Bro. Chas. Hauser desired to compromise a debt due from his father, but it was concluded that he must pay principal and interest.

Mon., Dec. 15. Bro. Blum absent.

Bro. Siewers informed the Board that he had attended a meeting of the creditors of C. L. Banner and that his trustee was notified that he would be held for the amount of a previous sale of the property recently sold to J. W. Alspaugh.

John Shore informed the Board that he intended to avail himself of the benefits of the bankrupt law but offered to pay 20 per cent of his indebtedness for a release from his creditors. It was decided to accept 20 per cent for the claim held by the Diacony.

Provincial Financial Board, 1873
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Wed., Jan. 22. Br. C. L. Rights absent.

1. Br. J. L. Fulkerson reported that he had had a conversation with Mr. I. G. Lash, the Treasurer of Salem Savings Institute, in which the latter had informed him that the only available assets of the Institute consisted of certain town property in Pekin, Minnesota, of the probable value of about \$10,000, if the proper time for selling it is awaited, and a claim in the East of about \$5,000, now in suit and lost in the lower court, but which he hopes to recover in the Supreme Court. Furthermore, the Treasurer assured Br. Fulkerson that the demand for the surrendering of the certificates of deposit was not intended in any way to bar the claims of depositors to their proportionate share of any sums recovered by the Institute hereafter, after the payment of the 5th instalment. In consequence of these statements, a motion "*not* to surrender the certificates of deposit of Wa. Sustent. Diacy." did not prevail. And it was resolved

2. That the amount received from S.S. Institute as the 5th instalment on surrender of the certificates be invested in a Northern Pacific Railroad bond, which can be purchased at par and bears 7.3% interest, payable in gold.

Mon., Feb. 3. Br. Rights absent.

1. Treasurer reported that the amount received from Salem Savings Institute was \$1,249.95, which sum by the addition of \$120 interest due on Feb. 1st and other funds, he proposed to raise to \$1,500 for the purpose of investment in Northern

Pacific R.Rd. bonds. Board sanctioned this, believing that the objection against Northern Pacific R.Rd. investments, urged by Br. Francis Jordan, were not of much force, altho' fully appreciating Br. Jordon's good intentions in this matter.

Thurs., Feb. 27. Br. Rights absent.

1. An offer to compromise has been received from Alexander Hege, security of J. M. Leach, thro' his attorney Welborn. As the debt due from Leach cannot be recovered from him or his security, a compromise is advisable, and Board is willing to entertain proposals to that effect.

2. As the annual pension of widows of missionaries has been raised to \$125, Board resolved to pay at the same rates to the widows who are pensioners of Wa. Sust. Diacy. commencing on March 1, 1873.

3. The financial condition of the Moravian Male Academy was discussed.

Mon., Mar. 3. Br. Rights absent.

1. J. H. Welborn, atty. of Alex. Hege, security of J. M. Leach, offers to compromise by paying 25 cents on the dollar, principal and interest. Board accepted this proposal and agreed to release Alex. Hege on these terms.

Mon., July 7. Br. Rights absent.

1. Mr. Welborn, atty. of Hege, wants to know on what terms both Leach and Hege could be released and their note canceled. As we cannot, by law, get anything from Leach, we will take what we can get and await an offer from Mr. Welborn.

2. Br. Thomas Spach, Treasurer of New Philadelphia congr., has deposited \$25 with Treasr. of Sustent. Diacy. This sum belongs to New Phila. congr., and Sustent. Diacy. will pay interest on the same at the rate of 5% per annum.

3. The necessity of building a parsonage at Kernersville, where a minister is hereafter to be stationed, was acknowledged by the Board, and the hope expressed that the members of the Church at that place will do their utmost to make the burden of expense as light as possible for Sustent. Diacy.

4. Board discussed the propriety of the Sustent. Diacy. assuming the management of the Sisters House at Salem, but postponed all definite action in the matter.

5. Br. S. T. Pfohl having resigned his office of Warden of Salem Congregation on account of failing strength after a

continued faithful service of 36 years, his present position and future support were considered. Br. Pfohl retains his seat in the P.E.C. and remains Treasurer of Wa. Sustent. Diacy. It was the unanimous opinion of the Board that he should receive a pension of \$500 per annum and free house rent. The sum of \$400, \$100 more than the sum fixed by the Provincial Synod for a resting couple per annum, was at once appropriated as his pension from the Sustent. Diacy., with the understanding that the remaining \$100 and a free dwelling be furnished by Salem Congr. Diacy., which he served so long and faithfully at a reduced salary.

Sat., July 12. Br. Rights absent.

The Treasurer reported that Mr. Welborn, atty. of Leach and Hege, offers the sum of \$225 in cash for the surrender of the note. Board accepted the offer as there are no means at hand to enforce the payment of a larger sum.

Mon., Aug. 18. Br. Rights absent.

1. The Treasurer submitted the annual accounts of Sustent. Diacy. to May 31, 1873. The contribution of S.F.A. was \$3,000, the surplus \$1,493.48. This surplus was appropriated (1) to the cancellation of the balance of Leach's indebtedness, viz., \$472.30, and (2) to the reduction of Salem Savings Institute deposits (the remainder \$1,021.18).

2. One certificate of Pa. Loan for \$1,000 is now payable. The Treasurer has an additional disposable sum of \$1,000 in hand. Board ordered an investment of \$2,000 in Northern Pacific R.Rd. coupon bonds, if they can be bought at par.

Tues., Aug. 26. All the members present.

1. Several rough estimates for a new parsonage at Kernersville were considered, as well as the proposal to buy Mr. Fulton's lot and house and arrange it for a parsonage. No definite conclusion was arrived at. Two brethren from Kernersville are expected tomorrow, and it was deemed advisable to postpone action till then. The majority of the members of the Board have had an opportunity of visiting the premises at Kernersville and hearing the views of the members at a meeting of the congr. held on August 17th.

Wed., Aug. 27. Brn. Fulkerson and Rights absent.

1. The two Brn. Julius Harmon and Dr. Elias Kerner from Kernersville were present. The plans for a house and out-buildings, fences, and well were discussed. According to these plans proposals for building will be received, after which Board will take final action on the matter.

Thurs., Sept. 4. All the members present with the exception of Br. Fries.

1. An estimate of the cost of the new parsonage at Kernersville by the Fogle Bros. was submitted to the Board amounting to \$1,311. The firm cannot undertake the building on account of the press of work in hand. A bid of Dr. Elias Kerner was likewise laid before the Board. He offers to complete the job, according to the specifications, for \$1,200 including the Kernersville subscription of about \$200 as a part of the sum stipulated. In this bid, a pump stock is not included. Board accepted the bid of Dr. Elias Kerner, and the Brn. John D. Siewers, Jacob Fulkerson, and Henry Fries were appointed a Committee to draw up a contract.

2. The collections for the repairing of Bethabara Church and parsonage amount to about \$130. A new roof is absolutely required to save the buildings. Sustentation Diacy. will pay what the collections do not cover.

3. As Salem Congregation is about to be incorporated by act of the General Assembly, it is necessary to come to an agreement on the part of the Proprietor with the congregation, in reference to the contributions of said congregation to Wa. Sustent. Diacy., guaranteed by the agreement of 1826. The Proprietor will agree to such propositions as are satisfactory to the Financial Board. Instead of annual contributions for the future, it would be far preferable to come to a final settlement of the claims of the Sustent. Diacy. by the payment of a fair sum of money by the congregation. The sum of \$10,000, to be paid by Salem Congregation from the proceeds of the sales of its real estate at the rate of one-third of all such proceeds annually, was proposed and agreed to by the Board, provided the annual contribution of \$210 continues to be paid to Wa. S.D. by Salem Congr. until the sum paid has reached \$3,500, the interest of which at 6% is \$210. The understanding is that the difference between \$210 and the interest at 6% of any sum paid to Sustent. Diacy. is only required, so that Sustent. Diacy.

continues in the annual receipt from the interest and from Salem Congr. of the sum of \$210 until the sum of \$3,500 has been paid.

Wed., Sept. 10. Br. Rights absent.

1. The Committee appointed by the Congr. Council of Salem to propose a plan for the settlement of the external affairs of the congregation declined to report in favor of the proposed settlement with Sustent. Diacy. (see §3, [Sept. 4]). It insists that by the payment of \$10,000 in the way proposed, the annual contribution of \$210 should at once cease. After a long discussion, the Board, in order to secure a settlement with Salem Cong. and to preserve harmonious action on the part of all concerned, reluctantly yielded, and agreed to accept \$10,000, with the understanding that the annual contribution stops at once.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1873

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Wed., Jan. 1. [A]s there was no meeting here [at Bethabara] at Christmas on account of the bad weather the children received the wax tapers today. ([Bethania Report:] The probability is that the [Bethabara] Congregation will be almost entirely broken up the coming year, as the most of the members are going to remove to other parts and what is coming in is not desirable.)

Fri., Jan. 3. This evening the Sunday School children gave an entertainment in series of tableaux in the upper part of Lash's store.

Mon., Jan. 6. Beginning of the week of prayer at Bethania.

Sun., Jan. 19. Preaching at Bethania in the forenoon from 2 Cor. 5:20. In the afternoon preached at Bethabara. The chills still has possession of the town. There has [been] quite an exodus from here lately. Levine Hine has removed to Salem, Sr. Malvina Butner has gone to her father's, and John Macecup has moved to the river, and the Lewis Hines are going to Salem in February, and in March the Theodore Hines are going to move to Indiana. So there will be only the Calvin Hausers and Phillip Billeters left in town among the members. And in the neighborhood Antoinet Flynt, Augusta Ridings and Eliza Shore are going to

Indiana, and Ann Banner to Salem, so that about half of the members will be gone in there. Soon we will have a set that dance and frolic almost every night in the week.

Sun., Feb. 2. Preaching at home from James 4:4: "Know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God." As some of our members have been dancing of late I spoke on that. There seems to be quite an excitement about it in the congregation. The dancers are Egbert Lehman, Letitia Lehman, Ellen Lash, Elmira Schaub, Mary Grabs, and Sarah Stoltz.

Tues., Feb. 4. By request visited Mrs. Peggy Hauser near the Shallowford. She has pneumonia. I prayed with her and returned home, making a ride of 26 miles.

Sun., Feb. 9. They asked me to bury the colored man Kirkus, formerly belonged to Thos. Lash. He was shot dead on Saturday night by Paul Love. Cause: liquor. As I had to go to Bethabara I did not bury him.

Sat., Feb. 15. Went to Spanish Grove but on account of the rain found no one.

Sun., Feb. 16. A rainy day. But few out to preaching. The Congregation Council had to be postponed until next Sunday week. The creek is getting up very high.

Fri., Feb. 28. Mattheus Masten, Sheriff of Forsyth County, was buried today. He died night before last.

Sat., Mar. 1. Coroner A. Fogle, in the capacity of High Sheriff, passed through town with Paul Love, the negro that killed Kirkus Lash, a writ having been served out to see if he can be bailed, and the case was to come up before Judge Cloud at Saml. Stauber's today. Soon after, the Judge went up too. In the afternoon I preached at the School house, learned when I came home that the negro could not give bail and so he had to go back to jail.

Sun., Mar. 2. It snowed a good part of the day. On account of the bad weather the Congregation Council could not be held, as the country members did not come in.

Tues., Mar. 4. President Grant re-inaugurated this morning. It was very cold.

Sun., Mar. 16. In the afternoon Congregation Council opened. . . . After introductory remarks a resolution against dancing was unanimously passed. Afterwards Committee election: Joseph Transou, Nathaniel Pfaff, William Leinback, William Grabs, Oliver Lehman, William Stultz, and John H. Kapp. John H. Kapp was elected to attend to the subscription

list in Brother [Elias] Schaub's place. A vote of thanks was passed to Brother Schaub for his faithfulness as collector. It was then agreed that all hands come and take part in making general repairs around the Church on the last Saturday in April.

[(Bethania Report:)] Preaching at home in the morning and a general Congregation Council in the afternoon, the history of which is the following:

Last summer a man by the name of Cooper from Charlotte located here to take types [daguerreotypes or tintypes]. I soon found him to be a man of bad morals, and that he was doing harm to our young people, but he seemed to have gotten into the good graces of Mr. Shoub, Lash, Grabs, and Solomon Transou, and the next thing, some of our young church members were dancing, and when I expostulated with the young ones, the old ones got very angry and abused me about it, and told me it was none of my business, and these were some of the Committee men, and their children were the dancers. However, after so long a time I got the matter settled with the exception of William Lehman, and all promised it should not occur again, when on Second Christmas Day the same thing took place in Thomas Lash's house, and the same week in the house of one of his daughters, and the next week at his son's house in town, Cooper being the leader and Elias Schaub encouraging and upholding him in it. When I became aware of the state of things I consulted with the only Committee man on my side, Brother Joseph Transou, and he advised me to call a general Church Council of men and women, and have it decided whether this thing shall be suffered to go on, and he and Harmon Butner promised to stand by me to the last.

As soon as I announced this Council, they determined that it should *not* take place, and on account of the bad weather it had to be postponed three Sundays, but today the people could come, and they *did* come; and the Council was opened with singing "Lord, grant thy servants grace, etc.," prayer and then again singing "Be present with thy servants, Lord," and a brief address, and the following was read:

We, the Communicant Members of Bethania Congregation in general Council assembled do hereby declare that we consider dancing and anything *akin* thereto as coming under the head of worldly amusements and contrary to the spirit of the Gospel of Christ, and earnestly entreat all our members

not only to abstain themselves, but do all they can to discountenance it in others, and if any members after this engage in dancing, they will become subjects for Church discipline and may be excluded from the Congregation.

Upon a second reading of this paper it was *unanimously* adopted. . . . None of the advocates for dancing were present.)¹

Fri., Mar. 21. Shortly after I came home, being in the yard, Egbert Lehman came to me and requested me to take his and his sister Letitia Lehman's names from the Church Book, they having been the principal leaders in the dances and not being willing to come under the late regulation made by the general Church Council.

Sat., Mar. 22. In the evening a boy brought me a note to the following purport: "Mr. Rights: I hereby request you to take my name from the Church Book. E. Schaub." His daughter was one of the dancers and he was opposed to the Church Council and a Ruling Elder besides.

Sat. Mar. 29. A number of brethren came to work at the Church making repairs.

Mon., Mar. 31. Visited Thomas Lash's. My mare came home with the carriage by herself. Nothing broke. ([Bethania Report:] Went to see Brother Thomas Lash. He seems to be very much offended at me and spoke his mind very freely, putting all the blame on me, and speaks of leaving the Church. In fact, Schaub is doing everything to get him away, and they are all terribly bitter, and I expect will leave.)

Thurs., Apr. 3. Went to Salem to [Ministers] Conference. Today 27 years ago I attended the first Conference, the 3d of April 1846. Brother Wm. Henry Van Vleck was President at that time.

Sat., Apr. 5. A number came today to finish the repairs. The wall before the house and the yard and garden fence were finished. It seems the election of a new Committee has done some good, at least for the present.

Sun., Apr. 6. Palm Sunday. The weather was very warm, the thermometer 92 in the shade.

Wed., Apr. 9. Uncommonly windy. A fire broke out in the Pleasant Fork neighborhood below Salem and burnt all the fencing for several miles.

¹For perspective, it should be recalled that dancing was forbidden on the campus of Wake Forest University well into the 1960s.

Thurs., Apr. 10. Maundy Thursday. In the afternoon reading and Communion, quite well attended. Those that had been dancing did not come to Communion, and a number of their friends also staid away, and of course they all consider themselves as badly treated, when in fact they are the cause of all the trouble themselves, and the Church would be better off without them. Notwithstanding, we had a good Communion.

Sat., Apr. 26. This morning there was a white frost. For several days it has been cold and upon the whole very dry, so that the people cannot finish planting corn till it rains. Everything wants rain. Last night the peaches were killed and the potato tops bitten off in good earnest.

Sun., Apr. 27. Today four years ago I left home for Europe.

Mon., Apr. 28. A rainy day, the first in a month. Needed.

Fri., May 9. Started to Friedberg to be present at the Jubilee on tomorrow and day after, 10th, 11th. Owing to the rain yesterday and day before the waters were up very high, and all the fencing in the bottom is gone. The Yadkin River was 23 feet above common water.

Tues., May 22. Ascension day. Preaching from Ephesians 1:17-22, well attended, the best turnout on this day since I have been here. ([Bethania Report:] Mr. Albert Butner brought his school children, about 35, to attend the services. He is the first teacher that has ever done it, and I must say his conduct since he has been at home has been all one could wish, and I still entertain a hope that something may be done for him even though it be at the 11th hour.)

Thurs., May 29. Conference. Brother Schweinitz is going to the North next week to be present at their Provincial Synod.

Sun., June 15. Bethania Congregation feast. Preaching from Joshua 21:45. In the afternoon Lovefeast and Communion and at night a closing service. There was a good attendance.

Mon., June 23. Today we had the hardest thunder shower this season. The weather for the last three days has been very hot.

Sun., July 7 [6]. Preaching at Bethania from Rev. 7:14-15. Subject: the birth ([Bethania Report:] and death) of John Huss. In the afternoon preached at Bethabara from the same text. At night prayer meeting at home.

Tues., July 9 [8]. Went with my family to Germanton.

Wed., July 9. Continued on from Germanton to Danbury and the Piedmont Springs.

Thurs., July 10. Visited the cascade near and the Hanging Rock on the Sauratown Mountains and came back to the Springs at night.

Fri., July 11. Left the Springs and went on the north side of the Mountains by the Jones Den towards the Pilot Mountain and came to Mrs. Gorden's on the Hollow Road, where we staid overnight.

Sat., July 12. Came from Mrs. Gorden's to Brother Edward Butner's.

Sun., July 13. Preached near Brother Butner's to a good congregation.

Mon., July 14. Returned home. . . .

Wed., July 23. Brother Rinehold Oehman came home from Salem, where he is at work, hurt by a fall from a house. He is badly bruised, but nothing broken.

Mon., July 28. Received a letter from Brother de Schweinitz from Salem stating that Brother Eugene Greider from Lebanon, Penn., had accepted a call to Bethania and Bethabara, and that I should call the Committee together and notify of the fact and obtain their sanction. I accordingly went round among the Bethania members and notified them to meet tomorrow at two o'clock. One member lives 6 miles from here, so upon the whole it was a busy day, and yet some people say the Moravian preachers have nothing to do but sit at their ease and enjoy life. I have tried it nearly thirty years and have not found the easy place yet. Perhaps it will be at Kernersville. We will see. One thing is certain: I have not found it at Bethania.

Tues., July 29. The Bethania Committee met at 2 o'clock, and brother Rights read brother de Schweinitz's letter announcing brother Eugene Greider's acceptance of his call to serve the congregation as their pastor. The Committee asked for time till next Sunday morning to decide whether to accept brother Greider or no.

Wed., July 30. Met the Bethabara Committee and laid brother Greider's call before it. The Committee are willing to abide by what the Bethania Committee decides upon. The repairs of the Church and parsonage was spoken of, and brother Rights was requested to prepare a subscription paper and brother William Pratt appointed to solicit donations to meet the expenses of the repairs. Brother Pratt was not present, and it is not known if he will accept.

Sun., Aug. 3. In the afternoon preaching at Bethabara, and afterwards the Committee met, and brother William Pratt accepted the appointment to try and make collections to repair the church and parsonage. At Bethania the Committee met and decided unanimously *not* to accept Brother Greider.

Sat., Aug. 9. Preaching at Spanish Grove my last time. ([Bethania Report:] For eight years I have preached here and always found a good congregation.)

Mon., Aug. 11. The Committee met. ([Bethania Report:] Brother Rights informed it that he had accepted a call to Kernersville and Friedland, and that Brother Eugene P. Greider had received and accepted a call to Bethania.)¹

Sat., Aug. 16. Sr. Rights went with me to Bethabara to celebrate the festival of the 13 August. After preaching brother William Pratt, who had been appointed to solicit donations for the repair of the Bethabara Church and parsonage, made a report. He spent several days in Salem and collected about \$150; \$50 of that sum brother Grunert gave him as the Salem Female Academy donation. The members of Bethabara congregation had only as yet subscribed \$15, and that by three persons, some of them refusing to give anything, saying the property belongs to the Sustentation, let them repair it.

The Campbellite Baptists have been holding meetings of evenings half a mile from town in Pfafftown. James Jones, a renegade Moravian,² held a meeting two weeks and baptized 28 subjects. In fact they are trying their utmost to break down the Moravian Churches in the neighborhood, and my successor will find his hands full to keep together what there is, and if at the end of eight years he leaves things in as good condition as he found it he will do pretty well.

I can truly say that I have not found it a bed of roses when I came to Bethania. Everything was well nigh gone to pieces in both congregations, and the Campbellites were about to take the ground. I have held my own and made some headway, although I had too much dead weight to carry. When the leading

¹Though Bethania Committee unanimously preferred the return of Br. Francis Florentine Hagen, PEC received such glowing reports concerning Br. Greider, it "resolved to make a trial" of him. See *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina*, 11:6138, 6139.

²Bethania Report: "a son of Dr. Jones . . . a Nazareth Hall boy and regularly smart, and will make his mark right or wrong."

men in the Church try to break down their minister and side with the world and the Devil, it is a sad state of things. Some men would rather rule in Hell than serve in Heaven, and if they cannot rule they try to ruin, and just such men there are in the Bethania Congregation, and my successor will find it so.

I gave notice to the Bethabara Congregation that I had accepted a call to serve the Congregations at Kernersville and Friedland, and brother Eugene P. Greider from Lebanon, Pennsylvania, has accepted a call to serve the Congregations of Bethania and Bethabara and will be here in September or October.

Sun., Aug. 17. Celebrated the festival of the 13th August at Bethania. At 11 o'clock there was preaching from Hebrews 11:33. At the same time the rite of confirmation was administered the young man Alfred Erastus Shore and a collection amounting to \$9.50 for the repairing of the Bethabara Church and Parsonage. Then there was Lovefeast followed by the Holy Communion, and at the close I announced to the congregation that I had received and accepted a call to serve the congregations at Kernersville and Friedland, and Brother Eugene P. Greider, minister at Lebanon, Penn., had received and accepted a call to the Bethania and Bethabara Congregations, and that he will be here either in September or October. The Communion today was very well attended, and we hope not without a blessing. At night there was prayer meeting in the Church, and I must confess the labor was almost too much. I felt completely prostrated. I was too tired to sleep when I went to bed.

Tues., Aug. 19. Visited Henry Stultz's [Stoltz] widow. She is blind and very poor, a member of the Salem Congregation. I must see if something cannot be done for her. I read and prayed with her.

Thurs., Aug. 21. Went with Sister Rights to Kernersville to make arrangements for moving.

Sat., Aug. 23. Returned home from Kernersville. Have made arrangement to board at Dr. Kerner's till a house can be built.

Tues., Aug. 26. Went to Salem. Attended Financial Board meeting. The business was building a Parsonage at Kernersville. No definite arrangement was made, as part of the Board want to buy a house and lot, others are for building on our vacant lots.

Sun., Aug. 31. Some went from town to the Dutch meeting house to hear Mr. Bowles, the Lutheran minister, preach on dancing. We had dancing enough.

Tues., Sept. 16. Attended ministers festival at Salem. In the evening went to Kernersville on the train.

Thurs., Sept. 17 [18]. At Kernersville engaged in locating the building on the Parsonage lot in Kernersville, and I preached at night.

Mon., Sept. 22. In the afternoon visited old Sister Stultz [Stoltz], a blind widow living with her single daughter in Mr. Lester's land. She is a member of Salem Congregation, and I brought her a donation of \$10 from the Salem Poor Fund. I prayed with her.

Tues., Sept. 30. This morning the news came to town that Mr. Solomon Tice's 2 barns together with four mules, 2 cows, besides hay, fodder and oats were burnt up. It was set on fire, and the community is satisfied who did it, as the track was found going and coming.

Wed.-Sat., Oct. 1-4. Meetings of evenings. Two young women, Isadora [Dora Camilla] Stultz and Isadora Shore, professed to have found peace in believing on the Saviour. Luella Oehman is not yet satisfied; she is seeking.

Sun., Oct. 5. Preached my farewell sermon in Bethania from 1 Cor. 2:4-5. At the beginning of the meeting three persons were confirmed: Isadora Sophia Shore, Dora Camilla Stultz, and Florence Ellenor Rights. A collection amounting to \$8 was taken up for the Bohemian mission. At the close Rev. Mr. Baldwin of the Missionary Baptist Church made some appropriate remarks. The house was filled. In the afternoon I closed my labors at Bethabara. Preached from 2 Tim. 4:17-18. Here too there was a good attendance. The communicant strength in Bethania is 58 more than it was eight years ago and in Bethabara 33 more, being an increase in both congregations of 91 communicant members.

Tues., Oct. 7. Visited the members in town for the last time.

Wed., Oct. 8. Left Bethania at 1/2 past 9 o'clock.

[Handwriting is now that of Eugene P. Greider.]

Sat., Oct. 11. Arrived here from Salem with wife and three children and put up at the house of Lev. Grabs.

Sun., Oct. 12. Married people's festival. Br. de Schweinitz from Salem held the Choir meeting and the incoming pastor,

E. P. Greider, preached his introductory sermon based on Jer. 1:6-7 to a well filled house of attentive hearers. Lovefeast and Communion in the afternoon; 125 partook of the elements of the Saviour's body and blood. No meeting in the evening. Family worship at our lodging place.

Mon., Oct. 13. Took our meals among the people and with the aid of a number of the members unpacked our first lot of boxes and got ready for housekeeping.

Wed., Oct. 15. Spent the evenings out and always closed the social meeting together with prayer, etc.

Thurs., Oct. 16. Spent the night in the parsonage and took our breakfast here. Visited the rest of the members in town. Took our supper in the parsonage.

Sun., Oct. 19. Preached at Bethania this morning to about 80 hearers. After dinner took the family with me to Bethabara and preached my introductory sermon on 1 Tim. 1:11. Br. P. Lineback from Salem was present and made a few brief remarks before sermon.

Thurs., Oct. 23. [G]ot ready to go to Salem for a cooking stove, etc. Returned at 5 o'clock. We had a number of visitors this evening.

Fri., Oct. 24. Set up our stove and put up further conveniences in and around the house.

Sat., Oct. 25. This afternoon we drove out to Spanish Grove but did not reach it in time for preaching.

Sun., Oct. 26. Preached at Bethania this morning to about 80 hearers. Organized the Sunday school with 20 scholars and 4 teachers. Prayer meeting this evening with a discourse on prayer and the doctrinal text on peace, 2 Thess. 3:16.

Review of the Month: Preached 4 sermons. Kept 2 funerals and 1 prayer meeting at Bethania, Sarah A. Ledford at Bethabara and Solomon Transue at Bethania. Visited 67 communicant members at their homes. Paid 10 sick visits to one sick person. All these visits were pastoral and many of them at the same time social. The scriptures were read and prayer was offered in each family. It has been the most stirring, eventful, and busy month to me for many years.

Sat., Nov. 1. No visiting done today. Husked corn. Prepared for Sunday. Committee meeting this afternoon. ([Memorabilia addendum:] it was agreed to discontinue the lining out of the hymns in public preaching.)

Sun., Nov. 9. In a Council meeting of male communicant membership of the Congregation convened after preaching it was decided by a vote of 18 out of 22 that the kiss be no more used in the communion, but in its stead the right hand of fellowship be given.

Wed., Nov. 19. Visited Jos. Hine and family and bro't home some corn from there due to me from Bethabara land farmed by him.

Fri., Nov. 21. Yesterday and today a goodly lot of wood was hauled into the yard by Flavius Lash and Junius Leinbach. Others will haul next week.

Sun., Nov. 30. Preached . . . at Bethania in the morning and at Bethabara in afternoon. Occupied the Butner building at Bethania for the first time today. Br. Edgar Linebach superintended the Sunday School. Prayer meeting at Bethania this evening. Took supper at the house of P. Billeter at Bethabara, and on my way back visited the sick sister Anna Catharine Shore, wife of John H. Shore and acquainted myself with the rest of the family. At Bethania there remain as yet 21 and at Bethabara 25 communicants that have not been visited.

Mon., Dec. 1. Rested from the undue labors of yesterday.

Sun., Dec. 7. Communion Day. The weather being murky and the roads muddy but few people were in from the country. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered at 11/2 o'clock to 54 communicants. No meeting this evening. Singing for Xtnas was practiced in the church after communion. Foreign mission collection after sermon: \$3.60. Called on Edward Butner at his father's house and spent the evening there.

Mon., Dec. 8. Visited in town and canvassed for text books.

Tues., Dec. 23. Engaged in gathering and preparing a pleasing surprise for the children on Christmas Eve, the festival for them and for all who desire to become children, in agreement with the Saviour's words: "Verily I say unto you, except," etc. (Matt. 18:3).

Wed., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. Engaged in putting up a Xtnas Tree for my children and in preparing for the holy day services at Bethania, Bethabara and Spanish Grove. The snow of yesterday is gradually disappearing, the weather is moderate, cloudy and foggy. Xtnas Eve services were opened at 5 o'clock. The church was well filled. The choir sang 4 and the children 4 pieces of music. The children received Lovefeast and wax

tapers and the S.S. children a Xtnas gift after the congregation was dismissed. The pastor delivered 3 short addresses.

Thurs., Dec. 25. Rode over to Bethabara this evening, conducted the services in a manner similar to those at Bethania. The assembled congregation received Lovefeast and the children tapers. Br. Wm. Pratt took me with him to his home, where I spent the night and in the morning set out for Spanish Grove . . .

Fri., Dec. 26. . . . where the children had a Xtnas festival conducted by the superintendent of the Sunday School and the pastor. Lovefeast was served to all and the children received candles.

Mon., Dec. 29. Freezing weather. Distributed text books and visited in town.

Friedberg Diary, with Hope and Macedonia till September, 1873
[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Adolphus
Lichtenthaeler.]

Sun., Jan. 5. Kept no service at Macedonia today, my horse being sick so that I could not use him to take me there.

Sun., Jan. 12. On account of the great snow storm on Christmas day, no children were present, and therefore the hearing of their Christmas verses was postponed to today. After dinner went over to Hope to keep service, but when I came there, I found that the congregation had already started for their homes, I having been detained at Friedberg, so that I could not get to Hope in time. The few, however, whom I met on the road, returned with me to the meeting house, where I preached from Gal. 5:24.

Mon., Jan. 13. Had Br. Chr. Ernst to come and doctor at my cow.

Fri., Jan. 17. My cow died last night, and this morning Br. Levi and Alex. Padget came and skinned it, and Br. Jesse Mock hauled it away.

Sat., Jan. 18. Br. O. Spaugh appeared before the Committee in compliance to a summons to that effect to answer certain charges which were held against him, and was acquitted.

Wed., Jan. 22. Went to Salem. Took my housekeeper Julia Vest home to remain. Returned to Friedberg again in the evening.

Sat., Feb. 8. Br. John Floyd, in obedience to a summons, appeared before the Committee, and confessed to the charge of drunkenness. This being a second offence, he was therefore suspended for a period of 6 months from approaching the Lord's Table.

Fri., Feb. 28. A pleasant day. My ewe gave birth to twin lambs.

Sun., Mar. 2. Snowing all day. Did not go over to Macedonia on account of the snow.

Tues., Mar. 4. Very cold day. The wind has not abated. Water freezes within doors.

Fri., Mar. 21. Resumed oat sowing in the afternoon. This morning my sister Augusta arrived in Salem, having come to the South for the purpose of keeping house for me.

Sun., Mar. 30. In the place of preaching service, I read a part of the Passion Week readings.

Thurs., Apr. 3. My sister Gussie left me today, intending to return to the North again.

Sat., Apr. 12. At 1 o'clock a Committee meeting was held for the purpose of handing in the subscription lists of the various companies, and also to make further arrangements for the approaching Centennial Jubilee. All the Brethren were present. Reports of an unfavorable nature having come to the ears of the Committee against Sr. Henrietta Chitty, the brethren Harrison Crouse and Eli Sides were appointed to accompany the pastor on an official visitation to her. John Floyd was then excluded according to the 3rd degree of Church discipline for drunkenness. The brethren Jesse Mock, John Burk, Christian Spaugh, Theophilus Esic and Edward Foltz were appointed a committee to superintend the carrying out of the Jubilee arrangements.

Mon., Apr. 14. Today the painters arrived to continue the painting of the church. In the evening I went to Salem.

Wed., Apr. 16. Returned from Salem bringing my sister Augusta back with me to make another trial at housekeeping.

Fri., Apr. 18. The painters finished the painting of the church today at noon, and left for their homes.

Tues., Apr. 22. A number of Sisters assembled for the purpose of finishing the scrubbing of the tombstones on the graveyard.

Sun., Apr. 27. [The Committee] assembled for the purpose of deliberating concerning the case of Sr. Henrietta Chitty, the

brethren appointed at the last Committee meeting having twice gone to see her about her misconduct, and both times without success. The Committee having heard fresh reports of her bad conduct and likewise of her abusive language toward the church, which they are persuaded are true, forthwith excluded her at once from church membership, and thus settled a very disagreeable case.

Tues., May 6. A number of brethren assembled and erected a preaching stand, a choir stand and arranged seats under a clump of seats [trees?] in front of the house for the Centennial Jubilee to be held next Saturday and Sunday.

Fri., May 9. In the evening I held a closing meeting, in view of the close of the century since the organization of this (Friedberg) congregation. Br. L. Rights and Mr. Joseph Miller, a Methodist preacher, assisted me in the exercises.

Sat., May 10. This is the first day of the Jubilee. The day opened with all the prospects of a fine day, but towards evening a slight shower set in. At 10 o'clock our Salem Brethren and Sisters arrived, also the Salem Church choir whose services had been engaged for the occasion. The first service was held at 11 o'clock by Br. R. P. Leinbach, and consisted of preaching. This was followed by the Lovefeast held at 2 o'clock, kept by the pastor, during which the history of the Friedberg congregation from its commencement was read by its compiler, Br. E. A. de Schweinitz, and addresses were delivered by Mr. Sam'l. Rothrock, a Lutheran minister, Mr. Joseph Miller, a Methodist minister, and Br. M. E. Grunert. ([Margin note:] At the close of the Lovefeast a collection was taken up amounting to about \$38.00.) The interval between these two meetings, a cold lunch was spread in the parsonage for the benefit of the ministers and their wives, and also the members of the church choir. After these services were over, the congregation dispersed to their homes just as a shower was threatening to descend upon their heads.

Sun., May 11. This is the second day of the Jubilee. During the night we had rain more or less, and at one time it rained quite hard; but at about 8 o'clock the weather cleared off and with but one exception at about noon, remained thus for the remainder of the day. Services were kept on the graveyard by Br. R. P. Leinbach at 10 o'clock, and consisted of the reading of a part of the Easter morning litany, and a part of the 2nd burial litany. This was followed at 11 o'clock by a sermon



Friedberg Moravian Church: A woman of many talents, Maria Steiner Denke (1792-1868) painted this picture—the original is a vivid watercolor—for her friend Sophia Dorothea Ruede. Friedberg's third place of worship, this building served from 1827 to 1976.

preached from the stand erected in front of the church by Br. Lewis Rights, and at 2 o'clock Br. E. A. de Schweinitz kept the closing meeting of the Jubilee, which was a very solemn occasion, and no doubt left a lasting impression for good on the minds of those who were permitted to be present. During the interval between these last two meetings, another collation was again spread like that of yesterday for the benefit of the same guests. After the services were all over the congregation again dispersed for their homes. Thus passed a most interesting and long-to-be-remembered event in the Friedberg church's history, and one which we hope will not be without good fruits. During these two days the congregation was large, especially on this day, the number of those present being estimated at about 2,500 persons. Nevertheless, taking into consideration the character of many persons who are drawn to such a large gathering, no disturbance of any kind occurred, and both days were characterized by the greatest harmony of friendship and love. Altogether, without one exception, each could exclaim that it was good for him or her to have been here. May the Lord soon grant us another such a refreshing from his presence.

Mon., May 12. Some of the brethren came today and took home to Salem the things which we had borrowed of our sister congregation in that place.

Thurs., May 22. Ascension day. No services kept at Friedberg on account of the slim attendance in former years on this day, making it almost needless to keep the services.

Wed., July 2. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz came down from Salem for the purpose of announcing [to the Committee] that the present pastor of this congregation had desired to be relieved from his present duties, and that Br. Da. Z. Smith had been appointed to succeed him. He stated further that Br. Smith could not take charge of this congregation until towards the latter end of August. Br. Schweinitz also requested the Committee to endeavor to furnish the parsonage more comfortable than it is at present. The following brethren, Joseph Walk, Alexander Mock, and Edward Foltz, were appointed a committee on planning a new pulpit for the church and erecting the same.

Thurs., July 3. While at Salem I had an attack of the fever and ague. Two days ago I had slight symptoms of the same.

Sun., July 13. In a Church Council held between S.S. and preaching Br. John Crouch was elected lovefeast steward in the place of Arch. Sink, deceased.

Sat., Aug. 16. Held Communion services in commemoration of the 13th of August. Between the first meeting and Lovefeast we held a Church Council in which it was decided to give Br. D. Z. Smith, the next pastor to this congregation, a reception Lovefeast, and it was likewise decided to accept the kind invitation of the [Mt.] Olivet Methodist Sunday School inviting the Friedberg (or Charity) S.S. to attend a Sunday School celebration given by them.

Sat., Aug. 23. Children's festival was held today. After the festival we held a Committee meeting. Amongst other motions made and carried, a motion was carried to paint the interior of the church and parsonage, another motion to break up the clover field opposite the church for bro. Smith.

Mon., Aug. 25. A number of brethren with two-horse plows, and other implements for clearing and breaking up ground, assembled early this morning, and broke up the clover field opposite the church for planting wheat.

Tues., Aug. 26. Work was begun at painting the interior of the parsonage.

Wed., Aug. 27. Went to Salem.

Fri., Aug. 29. Brought a lady from Ohio down to Friedberg to see the place. The work of painting the parsonage was finished this evening.

Sun., Aug. 31. No service was kept at Friedberg today on account of a protracted meeting being held close in the neighborhood which most if not all of my members wished to attend.

Sun., Sept. 14. The usual Sunday services were held at Friedberg, where I preached my farewell sermon from Luke 18:14. In the afternoon went over to Hope to keep services but found no congregation awaiting me. After waiting a full half hour during which no persons made their appearance, I then returned home.

[The handwriting is now that of David Zeisberger Smith.]

Sat., Sept. 20. Arrangements had been made for the reception in a lovefeast of the new pastor (Br. David Z. Smith) and his family. Accordingly the Brn. Schweinitz, Lineback and Lichtenthaler accompanied me and my family from Salem to our future home. Our reception by the Brn. and Srs. seemed to be very cordial. As the preparations for the lovefeast were

proceeding rather slowly, a first meeting was inaugurated, in which Br. Schweinitz introduced me to the congregation as their future pastor in a suitable address. After a short recess, we again assembled to partake of the lovefeast. I was called upon by Br. Sch. to make an address, which I did, and then Br. Par. Lineback, a former pastor of Friedberg, spoke to the congregation (rather flattering, I thought, of their new pastor). While our Salem friends returned home, we were invited to spend the evening and night at Br. Jesse Mock's. Our two oldest sons were quartered at Br. Sol. Hege's.

Sun., Sept. 21. S. School was opened at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock A.M. After singing and prayers, I addressed the children, after which the usual school was kept. After preaching I met the teachers of the S. School, when it was resolved to hold a teachers' meeting in future every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mon., Sept. 22. Went to Salem to purchase various articles with which to commence housekeeping. My household goods were also hauled from the depôt, for which purpose the Brn. furnished 2 two-horse teams and a one-horse team.

Tues., Wed., Sept. 23, 24. We were busily engaged during these days in unpacking our goods. With the exception of a number of picture glasses which were broken and a few cans which had burst, we found everything in good order.

Thurs., Sept. 25. Went to Salem to purchase shelves for my library.

Fri., Sept. 26. Engaged in putting up shelves, and arranging the books of the library.

Fri., Oct. 24. Started to Salem in the morning, and returned with our two daughters in the evening.

Sun., Oct. 26. After preaching Lovefeast for the servants of the Church. With the assistance of our daughters and sister-in-law, a choir piece was sung before the preaching, also 2 pieces were performed during the Lovefeast, seemingly to the great satisfaction of all present. In the evening our daughters returned to Salem.

Sun., Nov. 2. Collection after preaching for Bohemian mission. It seems many had forgotten about the collection, and had not provided themselves with money, and therefore another opportunity will be afforded in two weeks. (The collection today was only \$1.22, mostly given by the pastor's family.)

Tues., Nov. 11. In the evening we had practising in singing; 25 present, and considerable interest manifested.

Sun., Nov. 16. A collection taken up in aid of the Bohemian mission amounted to \$3.79, which with the collection on the 2d makes a total of \$5.01 for that purpose. Although the church was crowded, I must say I was disappointed that so small a sum was collected.

Tues., Nov. 18. The day appointed for wood cutting. 61 persons were here, and quite a large quantity of fuel was cut, sawed and split. In the evening there was practising in singing.

Mon., Nov. 24. [R]epaired at the organ in the church.

Sun., Nov. 30. We commenced practising Christmas anthems with the children. In the preaching the choir sang the Hosanna, which gave general satisfaction. Another source of pleasure to the congregation was again to hear the tones of their old organ after a sleep of fifteen years. The church was very full.

Mon., Dec. 1. Made sundry repairs at the chicken house, and cleaned one of the clocks.

Tues., Dec. 9. This day had been appointed to give all such who had not been present at the first woodchopping to meet in order to do their share in the annual furnishing of fuel for the parsonage. Sixteen persons were here. Br. Johnson brought a dressed hog, which we had bo't of him, weighing 357 lbs., which gave us employment for the whole day in making sausage and rendering out lard.

Wed., Dec. 10. P.M. eight sisters were here on invitation to assist Sr. S. at carpet sewing.

Thurs., Dec. 11. Was engaged in the past days in chinking and plastering the kitchen.

Sat., Dec. 13. Had been appointed for our regular Communion season. Br. Chris. Spaugh had one of his desponding fits, and could not feel free to partake of the Lord's Supper.

Mon.-Wed., Dec. 22-24. Several Brn. assisted in decorating the church.

Thurs., Dec. 25. (Christmas Day.) This was a happy day for Friedberg. The services were ushered in at 11 o'clock by the choir singing "Joy to the World," etc. Then preaching. Text: John 1:14. Every available seat below and on the galleries was filled. Extra seats were also placed in the aisle; the steps leading to the pulpit and galleries were also occupied. After preaching the windows were darkened, and the lamps were lit; a lovefeast for the children was held, introduced by a short address by the pastor, stating to the audience, many of whom were strangers, that the following exercises were intended more

especially for the children. During the lovefeast the children recited Luke 2:1-20, and sang the anthems "What good news," etc., and "Hail thou wondrous," etc. The choir sang "O come all ye faithful," etc., "The Star of Bethlehem," and "The Morning Star," in the last Sr. S. singing the solo part. The congregation rising, there was a sudden burst of light in the rear, and over 200 burning candles were distributed to the children. The pastor, requesting the children to keep their tapers burning, made a short address to them, illustrating to them the object of the beautiful custom. It was truly a pleasant celebration, and there were many of the adult portion of the congregation who were as happy as the children. Over 500 persons were estimated to have been here.

Sun., Dec. 28. After preaching a meeting was held for the children. Over 50 children recited verses, mostly Christmas verses.

[*Friedberg Report:*] *Wed., Dec. 31.* At 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock [P.M.] there was a service in the church, when the Memorabilia of the congregation were read. The church was about half full. The last service commenced at 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ o'clock. The address was interrupted by the singing of "Now let us praise the Lord" at 12 o'clock, when we entered into the new year, 1874.)

Kernersville Diary, with Friedland, 1873

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Sun., Oct. 5. Today I preached my farewell sermon at Bethania and Bethabara. There was quite a turnout at both places.

Wed., Oct. 8. Left Bethania at 9 o'clock for Kernersville, where we arrived at 5 o'clock P.M. Our stay at Bethania was nearly eight years.

Thurs., Oct. 9. Fixing up at Dr. Kerner's, where we are to occupy one room upstairs in his house until the parsonage is built. They commenced the foundation today.

Sun., Oct. 12. Preached my introductory sermon at Kernersville: Luke 8:19-22.

Wed., Oct. 15. I went to Greensboro to see about getting shingles to cover the parsonage. Coming home after night in crossing the railroad one of my carriage wheels got fast and was broken to pieces, and I had to leave the carriage at the

side of the road, and my wife and I made our way on foot. Fortunately we had only about 2 miles to walk.

Thurs., Oct. 16. Brother Nathaniel Kerner went with me and helped to bring the carriage and the broken wheel to town. They are putting in the sleepers for the lower floor of the parsonage. The weather thus far has been propitious.

Sun., Oct. 19. Preached for the first time at Friedland. . . . There was a good turnout. Took dinner with Brother Lowder.

Tues., Nov. 4. On yesterday Brother Amos Steward, his wife Eliza Steward, his daughters Alice Steward and Phebe Steward, and son-in-law Miles Shelton and Sally Shelton, as also William Weavil and his wife Sarah (she is a member at Friedberg) and Jane Hine all left for Indiana, making eight communicant members from Friedland and one from Friedberg—all gone.

Fri., Nov. 14. Floy is at home and sick with measles. There were 26 cases in the Academy on Saturday.

Wed., Nov. 19. A cold day. The work on the parsonage goes on very slow, as the masons are stopped on account of its freezing.

Sat., Nov. 22. Warm. Masons getting on well. Floy is well from the measles.

Sun., Nov. 23. After preaching [at Friedland] there was a meeting of the male members to make some arrangements to cover the west side of the church. The other side was covered several years ago. It was agreed to make the shingles between now and the first Sunday in next month, and then fix a day and meet and nail them on.

Tues., Nov. 25. Went as far as Bethany on our way to Mt. Bethel. Staid overnight at Brother H. H. Butner's.

Wed., Nov. 26. A cold day. Went from Bethany to the widow Gordon's. ([Kernersville Report:] Mr. [William] Gordon is in his 95th year. I used to stop here when I first had charge of the mountain mission 27 years ago, and of late years the old man [has been] entirely deaf, although otherwise active. I could not converse with him at all, and the family could only make him understand by motions. So when we stopped I did not think it worth while to speak to him, only nodding my head, which he returned. After sitting by the fire some time the old man turned to me and said, "Travelling?" I assented by a nod. He next said, "Where from?" I thought, oh dear, and shouted in despair, "Kernersville," never thinking he would understand it. To my surprise he replied, "That used to be Dobson's Cross Roads,"

and then went on to tell me how he used to pass through there on his way to Fayetteville. And then I come to find out the old man's hearing had come back again. I mentioned my surprise to his daughter-in-law. "Oh, yes," said she, "it is a late thing. One day he was sitting here at the fire, and the dogs began to bark in the yard. He looked up at me, and said, 'I can hear again. I hear the dogs barking now,' and his hearing remained.")

Thurs., Nov. 27. Arrived at Mt. Bethel at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Mon., Dec. 1. ([Kernersville Report:] Brother Benj. Leinbach and myself went to Greenhill at the request of brother Robert Allen, who lives there now. I preached and brother L. closed.)

Fri., Dec. 5. Left Mt. Bethel for home.

Sun., Dec. 7. Went to Friedland and preached and then had a meeting of the members to make some arrangements for covering one side of the house. Next Tuesday week has been set apart.

Mon., Dec. 15. Formed the acquaintance of Mr. Clarkson and his wife. ([Kernersville Report:] They are to take charge of the Kernersville High School. They are from Charleston and Episcopalians.) They both expressed themselves pleased with the services and desired to place themselves under my pastoral care. This is the first time they ever met with Moravians.

Wed., Dec. 17. Went to Friedland. Only five men came to cover on the house. They will not get a fourth finished.

Thurs., Dec. 18. Today the well digger came to water at the depth of 24 feet. The house floors are laid, and the ceiling is nearly all put up, and they commenced making holes for the garden fence.

Mon., Dec. 22. Today we had the first snow.

Wed., [Thurs.], Dec. 25. Christmas day. Went to Friedland. . . . To my surprise there was a good attendance. The day was raw, snow still on the ground. At night there was a celebration by the Kernersville Sunday School in the Moravian Church, a dialogue, singing, etc. Mr. Rush and Mr. Roberts spoke. Wax candles, lighted, were handed to the children for the first time here.

Wed., Dec. 31. A service at 7 o'clock [and] at 10 o'clock; and at 1/2 past 11 o'clock we met to close up the year. The Kernersville band preformed on the occasion. During the second meeting a Memorabilia and the statistics of the congregations for the Southern District of the Church were read.

*[New] Philadelphia Diary, 1873**With Hope and Macedonia beginning September*

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Mar. 23. Visited Jos. Holston, found him asleep, did not allow him to be waked, he is gradually sinking. Sores are beginning to make their appearance. After dinner, visited Sr. Anna Crater, who is sick. Found her mother and mother-in-law and other friends there, according to the usual country fashion.

Sun., Apr. 6. Palm Sunday. Unusually warm for the season. Therm. up to 90° in the course of the day. Lewis Webster Miller, whose wife ~~belongs to~~ is a member¹ at Phila., made formal application today to join the congregation on certificate. He had spoken on the subject to me about a year ago. The Committee had no objection so he was received into full membership, he having been a communicant member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Midway, Davidson Co. Took dinner at Br. Allen Crater's, whose wife is much improved in health.

Sun., June 1. Altho' weak from fever, which I had had on Saturday evening, I drove to Reb. Palmer's house, where Joseph Holston had died on Friday evening. By request I sang and prayed in the road before the home, the coffin being already in the wagon when I arrived to be taken to Bethel for burial.

Sun., June 15. Br. Grunert preached at Phila., Br. Schweinitz being absent at the Provincial Synod of the Northern District.

Sun., July 13. Committee meeting at Phila., at which Alex F. Miller and wife and 3 children, who were excluded some years ago, were readmitted to the Phila. congregation on their application. At 11 A.M. I preached on 1 Peter 3:15 to a comparatively small audience. The fear of the measles are keeping some away and prevent the reopening of the S.S.

Sun., Aug. 24. Found but a small congregation assembled, there being a "*Big Meeting*" at Union Grove. Announced the pending changes and Br. Lichtenthäler's appointment.

¹The words "belongs to" are struck out, and "is a member" inserted.

Sun., Sept. 21. Accompanied by my wife and Br. A. Lichten-thäler I drove to Phila. At 11 A.M. introduced Br. Lichtenth. to the congregation, and then I preached a kind of farewell sermon on 1 Cor. 2:1-5, the doctrinal text of the day. There was a good congregation assembled. Thus I closed my ten years' labors in the Phila. congregation.

[The Philadelphia Diary interrupts. The following extracts are transcribed from the Reports for Philadelphia, Hope, and Macedonia, written by Adolphus Lichtenthaeler.]

September

At Hope no services were held this month, owing to the indifference of the members.

At Philadelphia, services were held on the 3rd and 4th Sundays. On the 3rd Sunday, the 21st inst., Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz preached his farewell discourse to this congregation, and at the same time introduced their future pastor, Bro. A. Lichtenthaler. A large congregation was present. On the 4th Sunday, the 28th inst., I preached my introductory sermon to this congregation from John 7:37. There was a good attendance present.

November

At Hope . . . [o]n the 5th Sunday [30th] at 1 o'clock in the afternoon I kept the funeral of Mrs. Eliza Jane Holt (m.n. Brinkley), wife of Wm. Holt. Although the deceased was not a member of the Hope congregation, still she was granted the privilege to be buried on the Hope burial ground, her dying request having been to that effect.

I understood on this day that there has of late been great irregularity with regard to the rules for the burial of persons on our graveyard at this place, persons not belonging to the congregation having been buried here without the knowledge or consent of those in authority. The idea seems to be becoming general among outsiders that our burial ground at Hope is more or less public property, and unless something be done to dispel this delusion, this graveyard will come to be looked upon by the public at large in the same light as is the case at present with the one connected with our church at Macedonia.

[Britain conquered the Ashanti kingdom in Ghana, which would become the Gold Coast colony. In the Pacific, Britain annexed Fiji.]

In January, Chang and Eng Bunker, touted by P. T. Barnum as the original "Siamese Twins," died in Wilkes County, North Carolina. In October Richard J. Reynolds paid the Moravians \$388.50 for property in Winston to build a chewing tobacco factory. His "little red factory" opened on Chestnut Street. In Durham, Washington Duke opened a tobacco and snuff factory. North Carolina's economic recovery would be based on tobacco, textiles, and furniture.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1874

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

On Easter Morning the congregation was aroused as usual by the solemn chorales performed by our Church Band, and after assembling at the church to hear the glad tidings of our Redeemer's resurrection and to hail Him as our risen Lord and Saviour, proceeded to our burial ground to pray the Easter Morning Litany. The weather, tho cold, was otherwise favorable, and the large congregation assembled maintained perfect order.

The appearance of our burial ground itself and of the avenue leading to it was particularly bright and pleasing, as they had both undergone a thorough renovation. The graves had all been trimmed and cleaned, and many of them newly sodded or sown with grass, the paths were newly cut and filled up, and the trees neatly trimmed. The fences had been repaired and whitewashed, and a new extension made at the south end of the ground. Many of the graves, according to the pleasing custom dictated by tender affection for the departed, were adorned with flowers, precious tokens not only of undying love, but also of a future glad and joyous resurrection morn, when those who now sleep in Jesus shall awake and live to die no more.

Since the Easter celebration, the fence between the graveyard and the avenue has been made uniform and repainted. Four seats have also been placed in the grounds, and it is

hoped that all who may resort thither will remember the sacred character of the place, venerate the resting places of the dead, respect the love and affection of the living, and remember that they too must die.

Among those of our brethren and sisters with whom we were called to part during the year, we would mention our dear and venerable brother, Samuel Thomas Pfohl, who after a long and useful life in the service of the Lord and of his church entered into his rest on May 26th. For a period of more than 36 years he had filled the office of Warden of this congregation, having previously served the congregation at Friedland from the year 1827, in which he was ordained to the ministry by Bishop Benade. In the year 1858 he became Treasurer of the Sustentation Fund of this Province, and in 1869 a member of our Provincial Elders' Conference. Universally beloved and esteemed, his memory is blessed among us, and his example is well worthy of our imitation.

The departure of this dear Brother having created a vacancy in our P.E.C., it became necessary to call a Synod of this Province in order to elect a successor. Accordingly the summons was issued, and the Synod met in our Chapel at 10 A.M. on Monday, July 13th. Br. M. E. Grunert was elected as the third member of the P.E.C. As it was thought desirable and proper that the office of Bishop should again be held by a brother in this Province, Synod unanimously nominated the President of our Provincial Board, Br. Emil A. de Schweinitz, to the Unity's Elders' Conference for the office of Bishop. A very pleasant feature in the transactions of this Synod was the dinner given to all the members of the Synod in the dining room of Salem Female Academy. After the singing of grace in our old Moravian style, the brethren of the Synod partook together of the bountiful repast that had been provided and by pleasant social intercourse strengthened the bonds of brotherly love and fellowship.

The annual Congregation Council was held on the first Tuesday in May. Besides other business, the subject of invitations to our Lovefeasts was taken up, and, in order to give that character to them which they should have as a religious service, it was resolved that hereafter invitations to our general lovefeasts shall be restricted to those who are communicant members in good standing of other churches. As there appears to be a misunderstanding of this matter, and as

it is desirable that it be clearly understood, we will state here that in a meeting of communicant members of this congregation, held April 2d, 1868, it was resolved that Lovefeasts are private meetings intended only for those whose names are found on our Church Catalogue. It was also resolved that members desirous of inviting friends not belonging to our church may apply for tickets to the pastor, but such persons cannot apply for themselves. The resolution of our last Congregation Council restricts invitations to those who are communicant members in good standing of other churches. Hence we think it should be clear, one, that Lovefeasts are intended for church members only; two, that only communicant members of our church have the right to invite others to our Lovefeasts, and may only invite communicant members of other churches; three, that our members should *not* be asked to purchase tickets by anyone who may desire them and offer payment.

We hope this arrangement will be understood and future inconvenience and annoyance prevented. It has not been made with a view to exclude those whom we are glad to greet as brethren and sisters in Christ, but because we must sustain the character of our Lovefeasts as religious services and not as exhibitions or social gatherings. In this connection we would state also that we do not approve of the presence of spectators on the galleries during the celebration of the Lord's Supper except for special reasons.

The nomination of Br. E. A. de Schweinitz to the episcopacy having been approved of by the Lot, and the U.E.C. having requested the P.E.C. at Bethlehem, Pa., to provide for his consecration, arrangements were made to have that solemn and interesting service held here in accordance with the wishes of our members. The consecration of a Bishop of our Church had never taken place in this Province, and the event was anticipated with feelings of peculiar interest.

Sunday, Oct. 11th, the 19th Sunday after Trinity, was the day appointed for the consecration, for the administering of which three Bishops of our Church, Br. Henry A. Shultz, Br. David Bigler, and Br. Edmund de Schweinitz, had been appointed by the Conference at Bethlehem. These brethren having all arrived, a preparatory service was held in the church on Saturday evening, in which the Bishops took part. On the following day, at 10 A.M., the consecration service was held.

Thus after an interval of five years, since the death of our late Bishop Bahnson, the episcopal office is again represented in this Province and our Church organization is therefore again complete. As the new arrangement of our temporal affairs by the incorporation of Salem Congregation and the adoption of a new charter was the most important event in our history of the previous year, 1873, so this consecration of a new Bishop for our Province is the most important event in the history of our spiritual affairs during this year.

The annual and stated meetings of our Missionary and other church Societies were held during the year, and we hope that all continue to take an interest in these Societies and to assist in the good work. Our Sunday School has also continued in active operation, and we trust much good seed has been sown by it in the hearts of our children and youth.

On the evening of Christmas Day, a new Christmas Dialogue was recited, the scholars all performing their parts very creditably. The music of the songs was also new, the words being taken from our hymn book, and the singing was excellent. A beautiful decoration had been made in the church.

The Elm Street Sunday School has also been continued by those of our brethren and sisters and friends who labor there in the good cause. A large number of scholars are in attendance, to whom a Christmas Lovefeast was given on the afternoon of Christmas Day. The Sunday School at Shady Mount, in which some of our members are also engaged, and which is attended by the children of some of our members in that neighborhood, has also continued to prosper, and likewise had an interesting Christmas celebration. We must not forget to mention the railroad excursion of our Sunday School to Company's Shops on May 16th as well as other similar excursions of which some of our members and many others availed themselves for the purpose of a little recreation in visiting the towns and cities along the road.

We rejoice to say that Salem Female Academy has continued to enjoy the blessing of the Lord throughout another year. We indulge the hope that those who sojourn in our midst as its pupils and who join with us here in the services of the Lord's house may derive all the benefit desired from their stay here and take with them when they return home only pleasant and profitable impressions for their future days. One of their

number, Lillie Chadwick, a little girl from Texas, departed this life on March 21st.

Our Provincial Male Academy has also continued its labors for the welfare of the rising generation. Early in the year it was afflicted by the loss of the Principal's Assistant, our brother Jacob J. Knauss, a young man of great promise and a good teacher who had won the esteem of and love of his pupils and was doing a good work among them. After a short but severe illness, he departed this life in the full assurance of hope at the house of his parents, and was interred at Friedberg. His place was very ably filled during the rest of the session by one of the older scholars, who is now pursuing his studies at Davidson College.

We were favored at different times with the opportunity of hearing instructive and eloquent lectures by various gentlemen from abroad, given under the auspices of the Literary Society and of the Young Men's Missionary Society, and trust the members of these Societies may be able to continue in the future to furnish these intellectual feasts of good things. Such opportunities for mental improvement and refreshment should be embraced by all, who can thus at the same time secure their own pleasure and profit, and encourage the members of these Societies. We hope they may continue to prosper.

With reference to external affairs, we will mention briefly that although the year through which we have passed has been a very trying one to our fellow men in many places, who have been visited by famine, flood, and fire, by storms and earthquakes, and all the sad calamities that are constantly occurring in the wide world, we have been mercifully spared much of the suffering that has fallen to the lot of others. We were, it is true, threatened on several occasions with the danger of serious conflagrations. At one time the stable of one of our members, Br. Zach. G. Hege, was wholly consumed by fire, but through the active exertions of those present and especially of the Fire Company, the flames were prevented from spreading. At another time the roof of a machine shop, Br. Wm. Shultz's, was set on fire by sparks from the chimney, and again at a later date; but on both occasions the danger was discovered in time to prevent a serious calamity.

The crops of fruit and early vegetables suffered more or less, it is true, from late frosts. The potato crop was, with many, a more serious failure than has been known for years, and other

products of the soil may not have come up to our expectations, but the wheat and corn are said to have produced bountiful crops, and upon the whole there is no lack of food in the country.

Trade may not be as brisk as we could desire, feeling here too the effects of the dull or hard times said to prevail almost everywhere, but with the practice of a wise economy and a firm trust in the Lord, who will always provide, we may weather every storm and hope for better and brighter days. Various improvements have been going on in our town in the way of buildings and pavements as also the new macadamizing of the whole of our Main Street and the filling up of the walks in the public Square. Repairs were made at the Male Academy building, and also at the parsonage, to which a small addition was built in the rear and the interior of the house repainted.

Salem Diary, 1874

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sun., Jan. 11. At 7 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. conducted the closing service of the Week of Prayer. Br. O. having invited the brethren who had taken part during the week, and the Winston ministers with their congregations, to join us in a Union Service, the church was crowded to its utmost capacity. Nine ministers were on the pulpit and platform: Br. E. A. de Schweinitz, Br. Saml. Blum, Br. E. P. Greider, Br. J. F. Heitman of the M.E. Church at Winston, Br. A. Lichtenthaeler, Br. W. W. Albea, a retired minister of M.E. Church at Winston, Br. Herman Hoffman from Phila., Br. W. Turner, a Baptist minister living in town, and Br. O. Br. Schweinitz conducted the service, and several of the brethren made short addresses and others offered prayer. The large audience was very quiet and attentive, and we cannot doubt that many felt it was good to be there. The service lasted until 15 minutes of 9 o'clock.

Sat., Jan. 17. Yesterday was another cold day, 14° A.M. Ice is from 2-3 in. thick, and there will be a second crop. Last evening at 7½ P.M. there was a lecture in the chapel of Salem Female Academy by Judge R. P. Dick of Greensboro on Hebrew poetry. There was quite a good audience. Today the rest of the ice houses were filled, so that there will be a good supply next summer.

Tues., Jan. 27. In the afternoon, a number of the married sisters gave Sr. O. a surprise fesper, in honor of her birthday, and brought various useful gifts, among them a beautiful bonnet. May they all be rewarded an hundredfold!

Mon., Feb. 9. Br. and Sr. O. received another pleasant surprise this P.M. Several of the Sisters brought a new carpet for the parlor, which they at once sewed and bound; after which all set soon to a social cup of coffee.

Mon., Feb. 23. Very warm. Crocuses in bloom, also Cydonia. Other things begin to push.

Tues., Feb. 24. Winter again. Snow and sleet.

Sun., Mar. 8. The renovation of our burial ground was commenced last week: the trees have been trimmed and the walks are being cleaned and gravelled. Some of the graves also need attention; but it is feared the means in hand will not be sufficient.

Fri., Mar. 13. At 7:30 P.M. Rev. J. A. Oertel delivered a lecture in the Female Academy Chapel on "The Revelation of the Beautiful."

Sun., Mar. 15. At 3 P.M. Br. and Sr. O. attended the Episcopal service in Butner's Hall (hotel) held by Rev. J. A. Oertel of Lenoir County, who has been holding services there and in the Court Room at Winston during his visit here.

Tues., Mar. 17. About 12:30 P.M. there was an alarm of fire, and soon it was found to be Br. Z. Hege's stable. A large crowd soon collected, and by vigorous effort, the fire was prevented from spreading. Fortunately, there was no wind, and roofs, etc., were still damp and wet from the rain of the last few days, otherwise a great part of the town might have been reduced to ashes. One of the children had been playing with matches in the stable, and thus set it on fire.

Thurs., Apr. 2. Maundy Thursday. A number have called on Br. O. for Lovefeast tickets. The plan is falling into abuse. Too many are invited who should not be there.

Sat., Apr. 4. (Great Sabbath.) At 2 P.M. Br. O. kept the Lovefeast, the church being well filled. About 40 are said to have come from Greensboro to spend Easter here.

Sun., Apr. 5. (Easter.) At an early hour the Church band went about town as usual to arouse the congregation, which assembled before the church, and at 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ after singing the usual verse proceeded to the graveyard, a number of strangers being in the procession. Br. E. A. de S. read the Litany. There

was very good order, and the appearance of the ground and avenue has been much improved, the trees having been trimmed, walks cut straight and sanded, also in the avenue, and graves neatly trimmed and sodded, and gravestones cleaned. Br. E. A. Vogler has had charge of the work.

Sun., Apr. 19. [A]t 2 o'clock the Elm St. Sunday School held its 7th anniversary.

Sat., Apr. 25. Another raining day. The amount of rain that has fallen this month is very remarkable. The roads are said to be as bad as in winter.

Sun., Apr. 26. A clear day.

Sat., May 2. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Prof. W. C. Kerr (State Geologist) lectured in the Academy Chapel for the benefit of the Reading Club.

Mon., May 4. Election for Mayor and Commissioners. Also for prohibition of liquor traffic in township. An overwhelming majority voted for Prohibition.

Tues., May 5. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the annual meeting of the Congregation Council was held in the chapel. It was also resolved that "hereafter invitations to our general lovefeasts shall be restricted to communicant members of other churches."

Sat., May 16. At 8 o'clock this A.M. an excursion train left our R.R. depôt for Company's Shops. It is estimated that about 1,000 people were aboard. Our Sunday School occupied two cars. The weather was beautiful, though warm, with a slight thunderstorm towards evening. All arrived at home safely about 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M.

Sun., May 17. At 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. O. was conveyed to Shady Mount School House, where the S. School had an Exhibition. The scholars performed their parts remarkably well. The Elm St. S. School was present. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz and Br. O. took part in the exercises. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. O. read a sermon by Rev. S. H. Tyng of New York to a good and attentive audience.

Wed., May 27. Our dear, venerable Br. Pfohl departed this life at 8 o'clock last evening very gently and peacefully, thus after a long and useful life in the service of the Lord and his church, entering into the rest that remaineth.

Thurs., May 28. At 9 A.M. the funeral of our departed br. Pfohl took place. The vacancy created by the death of Br. Pfohl will be felt not only in the P.E.C., of which he was a member, but in the whole circle of his fellow-laborers and

by the whole congregation. All esteemed and loved him as a sincere follower of the Lord, whose words and deeds were the fruit of true simplicity of heart, and as a kind and affectionate father in Christ, who acted up to his honest convictions of what was right and good. One by one the former generation is passing away, and the children are rapidly filling the places of their fathers. O Lord, give them grace to imitate the example of the righteous, in these days of much ungodliness and worldliness, that their last end may be like his!

Fri., May 29. This A.M. and P.M. the annual Examination of the scholars in the Provincial Male Academy was held in the church. They acquitted themselves very creditably. Since the death of Br. Jacob Knouse, the assistant teacher, in [blank] last, the monitorial system has been employed, our young bro. Henry E. Fries rendering very efficient assistance.

Wed., June 17. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting, alluding to the beginning of Herrnhut 152 years ago today.

Sun., June 21. At 10 A.M. Br. O. officiated. There was a good attendance, but the heat and the flies are rather annoying.

Sat., July 4. There was no public observance of the day, except that the Brass Band performed some pieces in the evening.

Mon., July 15. At 10 A.M. the Provincial Synod of our Province, called by the P.E.C. to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Br. S. T. Pfohl, met in the Chapel. Br. E. A. de S. was elected President, and Dr. N. S. Siewers Secretary. There were two sessions, 10 A.M. and 2 P.M. Br. M. E. Grunert was elected into P.E.C., and Br. E. A. de S. nominated as Bishop for our Province. A request from the Friedberg Congregation to hold next Synod in their midst was committed to P.E.C. for future action. At 12 Synod took dinner in the dining hall of Salem Female Academy.

Sun., July 26. During the past weeks an addition has been built to the parsonage in the rear for a kitchen and side room, and the inside of the house has been painted. The outside is to be painted in the fall.

Sun., Aug. 9. (Celebration of 13th.) At 2 P.M. Br. O. kept the Lovefeast, which was strictly confined to the communicant members, and a few invited guests, communicant members of other churches. This is by far better than a promiscuous gathering on such an occasion.

Wed., Aug. 12. The church is undergoing the annual "cleaning."

Sun., Sept. 13. [A]t 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the evening service, at the close of which he announced that the nomination of Br. E. A. de Schweinitz to be a Bishop of our Church had been approved of by the Lot, and that he would probably be consecrated during the month of October.

Sun., Sept. 27. A good attendance at 10 A.M., as it was known that one of the Presbyterian ministers, who have had the meeting of their Presbytery (Orange) in Winston during the past week, would preach, Rev. [blank] Vass of Newbern. He gave us an excellent and well delivered sermon. At 1 P.M. there was Sunday School, and at 7 P.M. Rev. C. M. Payne, also one of the Presbyterian ministers, preached an earnest and impressive discourse. The church was well filled.

Sun., Oct. 4. (Festival of the Holy Angels.) At 10 A.M. Br. O. kept the Litany and preaching. The attendance was pretty good. At 1 P.M. the Juvenile Missionary Society had its quarterly meeting. At 7 P.M. Br. O. read a sermon on the guardianship of angels of Rev. H. Melville. The attendance was quite good. Afterwards Br. E. A. de S. kept the usual meeting for all the teachers in our Sunday and Day Schools.

Thurs., Oct. 8. This morning Br. H. A. Shultz and Br. Edm. de Schweinitz, two of the bishops of our church, appointed by the P.E.C. of the Northern Province to consecrate Br. E. A. de Schweinitz a bishop, arrived. Br. C. Aug. Luckenbach of Bethlehem accompanied them.

Fri., Oct. 9. This morning Br. D. Bigler, the third bishop appointed to consecrate Br. E. A. de Schweinitz, arrived with Sr. Bigler.

Sat., Oct. 10. At 7 P.M. there was a preparatory prayer meeting in the church. Br. O. conducted it, opening with singing and a short prayer and stating to the congregation that we had assembled to welcome into our midst the brn. who had arrived from the north, and who would take part in the exercises of this meeting. Br. Shultz then made a short address, and after singing, Br. Edm. de Schweinitz led in prayer. Another hymn was sung, and then Br. Bigler made an address and closed with prayer, after which followed the closing hymn. The attendance was very good.

Sun., Oct. 11. The Lord granted us a most delightful day, in nature and in grace. At 10 o'clock the church was filled with

an audience composed of members of our congregation here and a number from the country congregations as well as friends from Winston, all eager to witness the first consecration of a bishop that has taken place in this Province. The brn. in the service of the Province having taken their places in the first seat, before the pulpit, leaving a place vacant for Br. E. A. de S., the senior bishop, H. A. Shultz, and D. Bigler entered followed by bishop Edm. de Schweinitz, who escorted his brother Emil to his seat. After an anthem by the choir, Br. Bigler prayed the Litany and read the Scripture lessons (Titus 1:1-9 and Acts 20:17-38). Br. Edm. de Schweinitz then gave out a hymn, and preached the sermon on Acts 17:28, explaining the nature and value of the Episcopal Office, as held in our Church. Br. Shultz then announced another hymn, which he followed with a short address to the congregation, and the charge to the candidate. After singing a verse, he offered the consecratory prayer, and then, assisted by bishops E. de S. and Bigler, by the imposition of hands consecrated Emil Adolphus de Schweinitz a Bishop of the Unitas Fratrum. The whole congregation then knelt in silent prayer, while the choir sang the Doxology. Upon rising from our knees, all joined in singing a benedictory verse for the new bishop (No. 723, 1) and then in the closing hymn, No. 690, after which Bishop Shultz pronounced the benediction. It was past 12 o'clock, but the large audience had shown no sign of weariness, and perfect order prevailed. May the Chief Shepherd and Bishop of souls bless and strengthen our dear brother in his episcopal office, and make it fruitful to the good of our congregations in this Province, and throughout the Unity, and to the glory of his holy Name!

At 2 P.M. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz and his brother Edmund went to the African church, and held a service for that congregation. There was a good attendance.

At 7 P.M. Br. D. Bigler conducted the evening service in our church, which was again filled with an attentive audience. He preached from Micah 2:10.

Tues., Oct. 13. At 7 P.M. a good congregation assembled for the Lord's Supper, and was permitted to enjoy a truly blessed and refreshing sacramental season. Br. Edmund de Schweinitz opened the service, and after the congregation had sung the first verse (service No. 3), addressed them with kind and warm farewell words. After the next verse, and prayer by Br. Edm. de

Schweinitz, Br. Bigler consecrated the bread, which was then distributed by the four Salem brn., E. A. de Schweinitz, M. E. Grunert, R. P. Lineback, and A. L. Oerter. Br. H. A. Shultz consecrated the wine, which was distributed by the same brn., and then this solemn and blessed closing service of the series of meetings held since our brethren of the Northern Province arrived was closed with the O.T. benediction, pronounced by Br. Bigler. We thank the Lord for the delightful season of refreshing which has been granted us by their visit and ministrations, and pray that He may protect and guide them safely to their several homes, and let an abiding blessing rest upon their labors here.

Wed., Oct. 14. At 4 o'clock this A.M. Bishop D. Bigler and Sr. Bigler left with the train to return to Lancaster, Pa., after visiting relatives in the eastern part of the state. Later in the A.M. Br. Shultz went to Friedberg, and preached there to a very good congregation; and Br. Edmund de Schweinitz did the same at Kernersville.

Thurs., Oct. 15. Today the brn. Edm. and E. A. de Schweinitz visited Bethabara and Bethania.

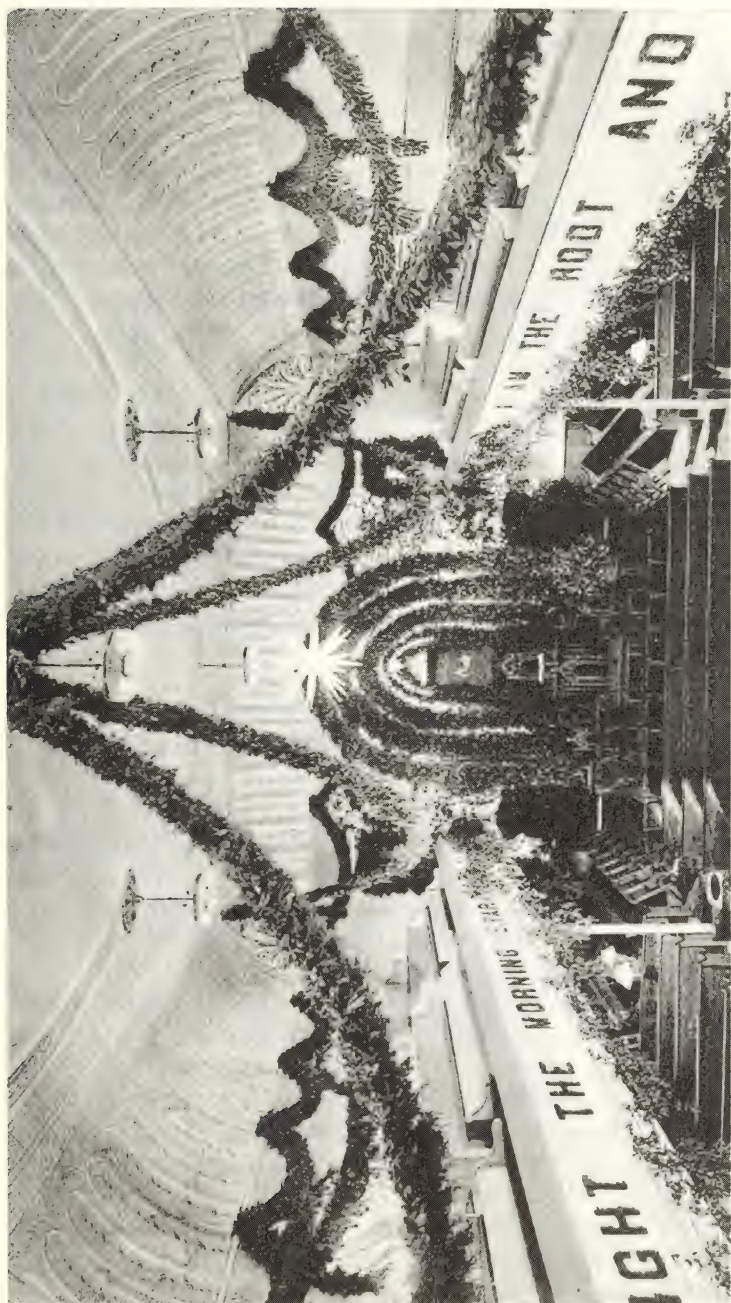
Fri., Oct. 16. This A.M. the brn. Edm. de Schweinitz and H. A. Shultz were to have left on the train, but the omnibus failing to reach the depot in time, they (and others who were going to the Fair at Raleigh) were left behind. Br. Aug. Fogle took Br. E. de S. to High Point, and Br. H. A. S. remains here until Monday.

Sun., Nov. 1. Clear, but pretty cold. The church will soon have to be heated, if this weather continues.

Sun., Nov. 22. [A]t 7 P.M. Br. Joel Rothrock of West Salem, Ill., who has been on a visit to his old friends and acquaintances here in this Province, his old home, addressed the congregation, giving an account of the origin and progress of the work at West Salem, of which congregation he was one of the founders.

Wed., Dec. 2. A very pleasant day, more like spring than fall.

Thurs., Dec. 24. (Christmas Eve.) At 4:30 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. kept the Lovefeast for the little children, and at 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the general Lovefeast, at which there was a good attendance. About 150 tickets of invitation were issued, only for communicant members of other churches, and children. The church was very nicely decorated, more particularly for a Xmas Dialogue to be spoken by the S. School tomorrow evening.



Home Church Christmas: Decorating the Salem (Home) church for Christmas was an elaborate affair by 1874. This c. 1909 photo shows the many-pointed "Moravian star" and the illuminated nativity behind the pulpit chair.

Fri., Dec. 25. (Xmas Day.) At 7 P.M. a Xmas Dialogue was recited by the Sunday School, which was attended by a very large audience. The Dialogue and music of the songs were new, and a new Chromo representing the Holy Family, was placed in an artificial grotto made on the pulpit platform of paper rockwork trimmed with trailing moss, laurel and ferns. The Chromo was concealed by a dark curtain, on which appeared the inscription "Immanuel our Brother," in large white letters. Above the picture there was the inscription "God with us," also in white letters. (In the last part of the Dialogue, the curtain was removed, and the picture illuminated by a jet of gas.) On each side stood a hemlock-spruce tree and holly, and at the foot of this one there was an artificial spring of water (used in the Dialogue). Four long and heavy festoons of evergreen drooped from the ceiling cornice behind the pulpit to the galleries on each side. A large white star was suspended over the pulpit, and the front of the organ deck was also festooned. The pillars supporting the galleries were wreathed around with spruce, and the gas brackets were trimmed with trailing moss, ivy and holly. The whole decoration was very beautiful and gave to the church a lovely festive appearance.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1874

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Jan. 25. After the sermon the Holy Communion, according to previous notice, was held. There were 17 communicants who partook, and quite a number of spectators.

Sun., Feb. 22. Rev. Mr. Albea of Winston preached by his own appointment at 2 P.M.

Sun., Mar. 29. Palm Sunday. At 1 1/2 P.M. the reading of Acts of Son of Man commenced, after short address and prayer.

Mon.-Wed., Mar. 30-Apr. 1. The reading continued at night. The attendance, on account of a protracted meeting going on in the Colored Church in Liberty, was not large.

Fri., Apr. 3. Good Friday. At 2 P.M. reading of Acts of Good Friday. Tolerable Attendance.

Sun., Apr. 5. Easter. At 9 A.M. the Easter Morning Litany was prayed, then the acts of Resurrection read, and then preaching on St. John 20:19-20. The attendance was good. The S.S. has been regularly held.

Several persons having expressed a wish to join the church, Br. E. A. de S., before Easter and in the week after, instructed them in Christian doctrine of evenings at his house. They are 5 in number and all profess to have obtained the forgiveness of their sins. They seem very sincere and earnest.

Sun., Apr. 12. At 2 P.M. there was held a meeting, which was well attended and 4 of the above persons, namely the married Bro. Elijah Atwood, the married Sr. Lavina Zevely, wife of Br. Benj. Zevely, and the Srs. Angelica Lott and Mary Fisher, were baptized by Br. E. A. de S. into the death of Jesus, and Sr. Ida Hunter Belo confirmed. A feeling of the presence of the Lord was sensibly felt. Ida Belo was baptized by Br. Friebele on April 5, 1857.

Sun., Apr. 26. At 2 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. preached to a large congregation on 1 Cor. 11:23-26, and then the Holy Communion was celebrated. Between 50-60 persons partook. A feeling of the nearness of the Lord prevailed. Many tears were shed—the hearts of all seemed to be greatly moved. At night the Elders held a meeting. S.S. was kept as usual during the month.

Fri., May 1. At request of Miss Brown, the teacher, visited the colored day-school on other side of creek. Talked to the children and prayed with them.

Sun., June 28. At 2½ P.M. preached at a house in the woods near Jerry Blum's. The Elders held meeting on Sunday nights when [there was] preaching in the afternoon, and the S.S. was regularly kept.

Sun., Sept. 13. [T]he Holy Communion was administered to 20 communicants, including three white sisters. Meetings in every direction reduced the number present, altho' the greater part of the communicant members were present.

Sun., Sept. 27. Br. E. A. de S. at Friedland. There was preaching both morning and night by Presbyterian ministers, members of Orange Presbytery, which has been in session at Winston. The attendance at night, as reported by Elders, very good.

NB.: During the month it was resolved by P.E.C. that Br. A. Gates and Lewis Hege should in rotation take charge of the meetings held by the Elders, and of the congregation week by week.

Sun., Oct. 11. At 2 P.M. Bishop Edmund de Schweinitz of Bethlehem was introduced to a very numerous assembled

congregation by Br. E. A. de S., and addressed the people, who listened with great attention.

Fri., Dec. 25. Xmas day. At 2 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. held a Xmas meeting which was quite well attended altho' there had been some misunderstanding about the time. A Christmas tree occupied the platform before the pulpit.

Salem Congregation Council, 1874
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., May 5.

The lovefeast subject was again resumed when the motion was made and carried that "only communicant members of sister churches be admitted as guests to our general love-feasts."

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1874
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Wed., Mar. 25.

4. P.E.C. having recommended the use of the new Litany, Board considered the matter, but postponed action.

Tues., May [26].

4. A Temperance Society, which is holding a State Council in Winston, has applied for the use of our church for the holding of a public meeting. Board does not feel free to consent, and thus establish a precedent.

Tues., July 7.

3. A difference has unhappily arisen between the married Br. and Sr. Goslin, she refusing to live with him. The Pastor has conversed with both parties, but though the husband desires reconciliation, the wife refuses to yield. They are therefore to be cited before the Board on next Tues. at 8 P.M.

Tues., July 14.

At 8 P.M. Mrs. G. appeared before the Board, but Mr. G. failing to appear, another meeting was appointed for next Tues. evening.

Tues., July 21.

At 8 P.M. Mr. and Mrs. G. appeared before the Board, and were heard as to the cause of their disagreement. No sufficient cause for a separation being proven, Board informed them that according to the sacred nature of their marriage vows, they must live together as husband and wife, and be faithful one to the other. This they promised to do.

Fri., Sept. 11.

1. Sr. Pauline Vogler has resigned her office as Curator for the aged and infirm Single Sisters.

2. As the Holy Communion has latterly been disturbed by the entrance of spectators on the gallery, the old rule of locking the doors after the service has commenced will again be observed.

3. The nomination of Br. E. A. de Schweinitz to the Episcopacy, made by our last Synod, having been approved by the Lot, a desire has been expressed by the Congn. that the consecration take place here. Br. O. will inform Br. de S. of this, and ask whether it can be done.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1874

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Jan. 12. Full Board present.

Bro. Hy. Fries reported that he had bought a \$1,000 Philada. City bond as requested for \$1,012.50 which would be ready for delivery by the 1st of Feb.

The subject of reinvesting the loan made to Messrs. Wilson and Shober was discussed, but as the parties with the collateral security were considered safe and reliable it was concluded to let the loan remain for the present.

It was determined to lay off the ground west of Emanl. Reich in lots and offer them for sale. Bros. Hunter and Sides were requested to be present at the survey and also to examine the land adjoining the Frank Reich house. As other applications for land and lots had been made by Messrs. Best, Lash, Hairsten and others in Winston, and as it was also deemed necessary to extend some streets, Bros. Fries and Sides were requested to examine the lands and make the necessary surveys.

Bro. Fries was requested to buy a compass and chain for the use of this Board for surveying.

It was decided to lay off the land lying west of the plank road and Winston applied for by A. Rucca in town lots—not to sell by the acre. The lot of ground west of that lately purchased by S. T. Mickey was priced to him at \$28 per acre.

Mon., Jan. 19. Br. Blum absent.

Br. E. W. Lineback presented in person a written request desiring that his salary as organist be increased, also that the Church musicians receive some recognition of their services.

Br. Fries then reported that he had not bought a compass but exhibited a catalogue showing price, description, etc. It was requested of Br. Fries to write to Maj. Atkinson to ascertain the price of one he had for sale.

The D. Masten matter was discussed, and the conclusion arrived at was that if the Administration can reduce the note in question to \$700.00 and make a secure title to the 11.5 acres of land, then to accept Alexander Masten's note for \$700.00 twelve months from date with interest, and give him (Alex Masten) a bond for a deed to said land. The Treasurer was requested to see that the land be unencumbered before closing the matter.

The Treasurer reported that there remained interest and funds for permanent investment, and it was decided to invest in Philada. City bonds to the amount of \$1,000.00, to be made payable to Br. S. Thos. Pfohl, Warden.

Mon., Jan. 26. Full Board.

The Treasurer was instructed to buy a compass and chain to cost from \$35 to \$40.

The D. Masten matter was reported upon and the title to the property found to be good, and the Treasurer was directed to close the matter according to the terms before specified.

Board declined to sell land applied for by Br. Starbuck east of the R. Road by the acre, also to sell the land lately in occupancy of Br. Sides to colored persons.

Mon., Feb. 16. Full Board was present.

The matter of Bro. E. W. Lineback's salary as organist was discussed, and it was finally concluded to pay him \$100.00 per year for his services as organist, his instructions to the choir and church musicians, and to pay him \$100.00 additionally to instruct two persons to perform upon the organ by giving them regular lessons.

Mon., Feb. 23. Full Board was present.

The streets east of Liberty street in Winston were named Vine and Sycamore, and those in Liberia Beach and Willow.

Mon., Mar. 2. Full Board was present.

It was resolved that the rose bushes growing in the graveyard should be removed, and Bro. E. A. Vogler is authorized to remove them.

It was also determined that in future \$10.00 will be charged from persons not members of our Church for graves in the graveyard, the \$5.00 additional being charged for the purpose of putting a tombstone upon the grave; but if such person furnishes a tombstone within three months from the time of burial, the \$5.00 will be refunded.

Miss Paulina Vogler was requested to take the Library in the Sisters House in charge.

Mon., Mar. 9. Full Board present.

Bro. E. A. Vogler was authorized to remove all of the ivy from the graves in the graveyard and also to raise some of the graves by straightening them.

Bro. Vogler was also requested to trim the lower limbs from the cedars in the alley, which expense the Treas. was instructed to pay from the Diacony.

It being necessary to build a new fence in the south side of the graveyard, it was determined to extend the graveyard the width of one square.

Mon., Mar. 16. Full Board present.

Br. E. A. Vogler was authorized to widen the walks in the alley, not to exceed eight feet in width, and to have sand hauled upon it.

Mon., Mar. 23. Full Board present.

Communication from Secty. and Treas. received, sending in his resignation, which was read and laid over for future consideration.

Wm. H. Hall asks reduction of \$9.90 on his account during the war, which is not granted.

Communication read from E. A. Vogler in regard to the graveyard work, reporting progress, and requesting an appropriation for the continuance of the work. Board appropriates \$50.00.

Mon., Apr. 13. Full Board present.

The election of Secretary and Treasurer was first taken up. Bro. H. A. Siddall having resigned the office on account of interference with his other duties, and Bro. E. A. Vogler having offered to accept the position at a salary of \$400.00 per year, he was elected.

The Treasurer was ordered to invest in three (3) one thousand dollar Lehigh Valley R.R. 7 per cent bonds, and also to see J. W. Alspaugh in regard to the Masten matter and have it put in course for the next court.

Mon., Apr. 20. Full Board present.

Treasurer was instructed to pay \$1,000.00 to the Wachovia Sustentation on land account.

Mon., Apr. 27. Full Board present.

It was decided that in future all bills presented to the Treasr. be examined and passed upon by the Board before payment.

Thurs., Apr. 30. Full Board present.

Bro. Henry A. Siddall, the retiring Secretary and Treasurer, made a transfer of books, papers, bonds, cash, etc., to E. A. Vogler, the newly elected Secretary and Treasurer, in presence of the Board as follows:

3 \$1,000.00 U.S. bonds, Nos. 45.805, 142.262, and 155.577.

2 \$2,000.00 Penn. State loans, No. 3187 and 3207.

Receipt of Francis Jordan & Sons for \$3,100.00 sent them to invest in Lehigh Valley R.R. bonds.

The above bonds and acknowledgement were delivered to Bro. J. D. Siewers in the Bank and made returnable only to him or his successor.

Notes handed over:

1	Note upon	I. G. Lash		\$500.00
1	"	"	Joshua Rights	25.00
2	"	"	C. L. Banner 52.23 + 215.70 =	267.93
1	"	"	Frederic Snyder	15.82
1	"	"	Boner & Crist	1,500.00
2	"	"	Augustus Fogle 85.10 + 66.00 =	151.10

1	"	"	S. E. Butner	484.70
1	"	"	H. A. Leinbach	240.00
2	"	"	W. J. Hauser	54.29+76.16=
1	"	"	T. F. Keehl	48.43
1	"	"	Alex Ackerman	175.83
1	"	"	Emanl. Reich	86.14
1	"	"	L. N. Clinard	177.77
2	"	"	Lewis Hein	100.00+100.00=
1	"	"	Thos. L. Hein	450.00
1	"	"	Jno. H. Reich	37.95
1	"	"	W. Sand. Shore	46.80
1	"	"	Chas. Brietz	--
1	"	"	Henry Harman	23.00
1	"	"	James Payne	14.91
1	"	"	Henry Ruede	84.78
1	"	"	William Davis	16.55
1	"	"	C. L. Rights	20.00
1			J. W. Alspaugh's receipt for D. Masten's note	
1	"	"	Edward Spach	56.94
			Cash	167.85
			and H. A. Siddall's draft for old Store notes etc.—	370.06

Single Sisters Diacony:

1	Note upon	Boner & Crist	700.00
1	"	Theodore Shultz, Warden	800.00
1	"	Augustus Fogle	38.88
1	"	First Natl. Bank	984.38
1	"	S. Thos. Pfohl, Warden	200.00
1	"	S. Thos. Pfohl, Warden	217.00
1	"	S. Thos. Pfohl, Warden	565.00
		Lewis Pfohl's note counted as cash	70.00
		Cash	88.52
		H. A. Siddall's draft on 1st Natl. Bank for	170.94

Single Sisters Poorfund:

1	Note upon	First Natl. Bank	100.00
1	"	First Natl. Bank (cert. of deposit)	400.00
1	"	First Natl. Bank (cert. of deposit)	224.00

1	"	"	First Natl. Bank	575.00
1	"	"	Pfohl & Stockton	300.00
1	"	"	Boner & Crist	400.00
1	"	"	Warden	900.00
1	"	"	Henry A. Leinbach	300.00
Cash				1,081.37

Board directed the Treasurer to write to Messrs. Francis Jordan & Sons, and request them that in making the investments recently ordered, the bonds be made payable to "The Congregation of United Brethren of Salem and its vicinity" and be so registered, that being the legal name and title as given in the Act of Incorporation.

Some conversation next ensued as to the collection of quarterly and annual accounts, embracing rents, schooling, etc. Board did not see why Bro. E. W. Leinbach should be exempted from paying Church dues, the matter having been mentioned in connection with the list of Congregation Children going to the Female School. It was ordered that from the 1st of May he be charged with Congregation and School Account, the same as any other member.

Mon., May 4. The Chrmn. and Brn. Hunter, Sides, Pfohl and Fries present. Bro. Blum absent.

The Treasr. was requested to prepare power of attorney for Mr. Pfohl to sign, transferring bonds, etc.

Bro. H. W. Fries was authorized to procure a seal with our Corporate name.

Wed., May 6.

The meeting this evening was called to effect a new organization of the Board, the Brn. J. T. Leinbach and A. Spach having been elected by the Congregation Council in place of the Brn. Siewers and Sides.

Present Brn. Hunter, Fries, Pfohl, Leinbach, and Spach.

On motion Bro. Leinbach was temporarily called to the Chair.

Next moved and seconded that Bro. J. W. Hunter be the Chairman of the Board, which was carried.

Moved and seconded that Bro. E. A. Vogler, the recently elected Secretary and Treasurer, be continued in office. Carried.

Mon., May 11. Present the Chrmn., Bro. Hunter, and the Brn. Spach, Leinbach, Pfohl, and Blum.

The young men forming the Trombone Band asked for their annual pay and named \$60.00 as having been heretofore paid to their Band. At that time there were six regular members, but there being but 5 regular members at this time, the Board directed the Treasurer to pay them \$10.00 each.

Mon., May 18. Full Board present except Bro. Fries.

Erwin Blum, son of Edmund T. Blum, who is now 26 years of age and a birth-right member of the Church, not a communicant, flatly refuses to pay Church dues, accounts having been presented to him by the Treasurer and payment declined. Notice of this will be given to the Board of Elders.

Treasurer was requested to forward the copy of the Act of Incorporation to Raleigh and have it properly certified and sealed.

He was also directed to pay \$900.00 more to the Wachovia Sustentation, which would now make the sum of \$3,000.00 recently paid to that Body.

Mon., May 25. Brn. Fries and Pfohl not present.

The Treasr. presented the Act of Incorporation, fully certified, etc., and reported the cost at \$3.06, which was ordered to be paid.

The \$900.00 had been paid over to Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz, as Bro. Pfohl, Treasr. of Wach. Sust., was sick.

Application having been made to the Treasr. for old Church benches, the condition in which the benches were kept under the Post Office building was commented upon. It was also stated that quite a number were now scattered about through the Town, some in Butner's Hall, some in Masonic Hall, some perhaps in Hege Bros. Hall, etc., and it was resolved that they be gathered together, not sold, but kept in better order and under stricter orders than hitherto. Bro. Spach was directed to put a better lock to the door now enclosing them.

Bro. Spach states that Bro. Oerter wishes a room made in the end of his rear portico, with a chimney for a cookstove, as it is very inconvenient for them to use their basement and too hot to use their rooms upstairs. Also wishes some chairs repaired. As there is not a full Board present, this matter was postponed to the next meeting.

The Board of Elders request that the refusal of Erwin Blum be communicated in writing in due form, and not that case alone, but also the names of any others who refuse or neglect to pay their Church Accounts. As this is a very serious and important matter requiring calm deliberation, the Board will not take action now, but defers the matter for the present, and the Treasurer when quite through with the annual collection of accounts, rents, etc., will report who are delinquents, etc. Some remarks were also made in reference to the charge for schooling and it was thought that at some future meeting this subject should likewise receive serious consideration.

Mon., June 1. Full Board present.

On the subject of benches, spoken of last meeting, Bro. Spach reported that on looking for them he found only a few broken ones left in the place and the rest had been taken up to Hege Bros. Hall for an entertainment.

Treasurer reported that he had examined into the needs and locality for the porch addition asked for by Bro. Oerter, and that he thought it would add much to their convenience and could be built for about \$100.00. Also that the house needed paint, and some chairs that Bro. Oerter wanted repaired to be done by the painter when at the house if ordered to be done. Board agrees that the addition be built and the painting and chairs likewise attended to.

Treasurer reported that he had a conference with Bro. W. H. Hall about his indebtedness. He is charged with Cong. Accts. for the years 1860, 1861, and 1862 together \$19.81. Also one of 1866 for \$8.55, and wood in 1864 and 1865 amounting to \$10.48. He declares that he has always tried to pay his Cong. Accts. whenever presented, and that he was not aware of these Accts. being open against him for years, and that his Accts. for the last several years he has promptly paid. He argues that others paid their Cong. and Wood Accts. in those years with Confederate money. He offers to pay $\frac{1}{2}$ of his Cong. Accts. for 1860, '61 and '62, which would be a deduction of \$9.90, and if this is agreed to, the remainder in full. The Board, although not acknowledging the justice of such a compromise, knowing that his debts had been statedly presented to him, yet rather than have ill feelings and perhaps recourse to law, agrees that the Treasurer shall settle the account as proposed.

The Commissioners of the Town of Winston request that our lots and land in their Incorporation be listed for taxation. This has not been done heretofore, it having been understood ~~and probably~~ so expressed in their Charter, that ~~in consideration of our Church letting them have the 51 acres when Winston was first located, at the low price of \$5.00 per acre¹~~ they were never to tax our Church land in their corporate limits so long as held by Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz or his successor in trust for our Congregation. The Board requested the Chrmn. and Bro. Fries to examine into the matter.

Bro. Pfohl stated that his Mother felt uneasy about her occupying the House since her husband's death, but Board instructed Bro. Pfohl to quiet her and inform her that certainly Board expected her to remain here.

Though not called up by the business minutes, it is proper to record here that since our last meeting our Bro. S. Thos. Pfohl, who had for 37 years managed the affairs of this office with great fidelity, after a short illness passed to his eternal rest on the evening of May 26 and was buried on the morning of May 28, 1874.

Mon., June 8. Board met; all present.

On the first unfinished subject, the porch addition to Bro. Oerter's House, the Chrmn. reported that he had examined the House and advised the addition as proposed by Bro. Oerter, a plan of which Bro. Oerter had drawn and submitted. Also that such part of the porch as would remain should be repaired, the floor mended or renewed, and have new posts, railing and banisters; that the House had received no paint since Bro. Holland's time of occupancy and needed it. The Board was willing all this should be attended to and the inside painting could now be done, but outside painting should be left for a more favourable season of the year.

Treasr. reported a satisfactory settlement with Bro. W. H. Hall. . . .

Treasr. likewise reported that he now had \$1,437 in Bank, so that Board could pay \$500.00 more to Sustentation to complete \$3,500.00 if they saw fit. The Board so directed.

The Town Commissioners having ordered trees along walks to be trimmed up so as to allow persons and conveyances to

¹These words are lined out in the minutes.

pass without hindrance, Bro. Spach was directed to attend to it around such of our property as needed attention, and as the mowing of the grass in the Square had been done by the Academy, the Chrmn. will see Bro. Grunert whether he will have the Square trees attended to.

The Brethren requested to look after the listing and taxing of our lands in the Winston Corporation reported progress.

Ben Zevely, colored, asked leave to erect an arbor in the woods beyond the Liberia settlement for holding meetings and Sunday School. Board has no objection if no timber is cut.

The damage done to our land by persons taking off soil for building purposes was spoken of; also the trespassing of liquor sellers on our lands south and west of Town. It was resolved that posters should be put up all around our land forbidding persons from removing any soil without express consent from the Board and also forbid all persons from occupying any portion of our land or lots with any wagon, carts, barrels, kegs or jugs engaged in selling liquor under penalty of the Law.

Mon., June 15. All present except Bro. Jas. Leinbach.

The Chairman, Bro. E. T. Blum and the Treasr. had viewed the fields, etc., west of Salem, and had determined upon the location of the streets and lots. The ground had been partly surveyed and mapped and will make probably 25 or 30 lots. The Board fixed the price of the lots at \$50.00. As there will have to be a bridge built across the branch south of Bro. Chas. Pfohl's lot, and as the road now called the Paper Mill Road can be greatly improved by moving it northward inside the present fence of Bro. Levin Brietz, which field he now has on rent, Board resolved that the Chrmn. appoint 2 of the Board to act in conjunction with a similar Committee on the part of the Town Commissioners in determining the street and bridge matter. Chrmn. appointed Brn. Fries and Spach.

Treasr. reported that Mr. Thos. J. Wilson as executor of the will of our late Sister Lucinda Bagge had paid over to him a note for \$200.00 on C. A. Fogle and C. H. Fogle as principals and J. G. Sides and Augst. Fogle as securities, likewise \$12.00 in cash received by him for last year's interest, as a bequest from Sr. Bagge for the keeping up of our Graveyard. ([Added in pencil:] In keeping up graves of the "Bagge family.")

The posters put up around our land now cause applications to come in to dig mortar dirt. Board does not wish

to act in an illiberal spirit, does not wish to charge for soil, but want to confine the hitherto promiscuous digging to one locality, now direct that whenever application is made—and without application no one has a right to dig—they shall be directed to the triangular piece, west of Winston, between the Winston Plank Road, the Atwood or Shallowford Road leaving from Winston, and the old Fries Plank Road.

Sr. Paulina Vogler holds a note due today against Salem Diacony for \$1,000.00 and wishes the interest paid. Also asks whether Board will not advance the rate of interest thereon which hitherto for many years has been $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Board is not willing to do it. They have carried the money safely through the war for her; do not need to borrow money; do not consider it becoming for the Board to speculate on money, and therefore answer that they are ready to pay up both principal and interest, so she can get a higher rate of interest perhaps elsewhere, yet if desired by her she may let it remain at present rate of interest, viz., $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Board discussed the necessity of owning a more accurate instrument for surveying lots and having been offered a surveyor's transit with spy glass, levels, etc., a very complete instrument, by Capn. Atkinson, R.R. engineer, for \$150.00, the Board resolved to purchase it, and that the compass, which is now somewhat out of fix, be adjusted and kept for outside land surveying or sold as the Board may hereafter determine.

Mon., June 22. All present.

The Committee on West St. bridge reported that they together with the Commissioners' Committee had viewed the locality and conferred together. They concluded that probably the most economical way would be to make the bridge and entire structure of timber from bank to bank about 6 ft. high, and erect a stone foundation wall for the large lower sills high enough to be out of water. They estimated that it could be done for about \$100.00. Board is willing to pay one half the cost of said bridge, provided it does not cost over \$100.00, viz., will pay \$50.00.

A sketch of the lots and streets laid out west of Salem was presented and the streets named as follows. The one farthest west, and skirting the woods beyond the 12 acre field was named Magnolia, to run from Walnut Street to the Paper Mill Road. The next one eastwardly Laurel. Next one Mulberry. And the last one running only from West to Walnut Sts., Ashe.

Treasr. reported having effected an amicable settlement of the old William Hauser note and account with Charles Hauser, administrator, on the terms heretofore agreed upon by this Board, viz., the payment of the principal of the notes, and the balance due on Church Acct.

A new note at 4 1/2 per cent had been executed to Sr. Paulina Vogler.

Mon., June 29. Brn. Blum and Spach absent.

Some of our young men who are organizing a benevolent society termed "Knights of Pythias" ask the privilege of meeting in the Literary Society Rooms in the Boys School House with consent of said Society, as a number will belong to both. Board will not object so long as the two Societies agree.

Mon., July 6. The Brn. Blum and Pfohl absent.

The Salem Female Academy wishes to buy the ground on which their buildings are located together with a strip in the rear sufficient to embrace the barn and outbuildings and to revise the so called Timber Yard in rear of the Church which has been in their occupancy some time past. Treasr. in company of Bro. Schweinitz and Bro. Grunert had made a survey and measurements, which plot is filed both in this office and the Inspector's office.

Bro. Leinbach read to the Board a deed framed by Bro. Schweinitz after legal advice, conveying title of lands and lots to this Board, which when signed is to be duly proven and registered.

Tues., July 21. Brn. H. W. Fries and E. T. Blum absent.

Treasr. reported over \$5,000.00 now on hand, and Board directed him to pay \$1,500.00 to Wach. Sustentation, which would then pay \$5,000.00 of the \$10,000.00 debt, and further that Treasr. invest in 3 United States new 5 per cent bonds and send \$3,500.00 to Drexel & Co. Bank in Phila. for that purpose.

Mon., July 27. All present.

Board next took up the matter of members' indebtedness for rents and Congn. accts. Bro. Emanuel Reich now owes about \$500.00, part in a note, part ground rent and Congn. dues. He does not occupy his home but rents it out, receives

rent but pays none to us, and has not paid anything for many years. He holds the property under lease, which was read by the Secy. It seems to the Board to be but right and proper that some settlement be at once made of this matter, as delay will only make matters worse, and Chrmn. was requested to see Bro. Reich about it.

Mon., Aug. 3. Bro. Fries absent.

Chrmn. reported that he had interviewed Bro. Eml. Reich and that the latter was willing for referees to be appointed, two by each party and a fifth by the selected two, which board of referees should decide on the value of his premises. Chrmn. is to select 2 not of the Board.

An application was made for the land lying beyond the Cemetery and adjoining the Wheeler Meadow, now Shaffner's and T. J. Wilson's Meadow, but Board does not wish to sell any more in that locality just now, as outlot ground east of Town is getting scarce, and some persons now speak of wanting lots east alongside the Cemetery.

Treasr. reported sales of land and lots since Sept. 4, 1873, amounted to \$17,252.08 and during 3 mos. since he entered the office \$10,136.76.

Mon., Aug. 17. Bro. H. W. Fries absent.

Treasr. reported that Henry C. Reich owed an old account of \$13.36, of which a part was charged during the war. His mother-in-law Mrs. Rudolphia Ackerman likewise owes \$22.16, of which \$15.30 was for wood and the rest Cong. accts. during the war, and that they desired some deduction made and they would pay. Board agreed that if Henry Reich would pay \$10.00 and Rudelphia Ackerman the \$15.30 charged for wood they should be receipted in full.

Mon., Aug. 31. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

Treasr. reported sales of land and lots for the year now past since the agreement with Wach. Sustentation was made at \$18,102.06, and the Board directed him to pay \$1,000.00 more to Wach. Sustentation.

Chrmn. stated that C. [J. W.] Alspaugh, an attorney, reported he could realize probably \$700.00 out of the Masten claim now in suit, and Board is willing he shall take such action as he deems best.

Mon., Sept. 7. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

Mention was made that a company of Italian musicians, who were here during last summer and had obtained the use of our benches and failed to return them, were here again and would probably make application for benches again. Board determined that they should not have them on any conditions.

Tues., Sept. 15. Bro. E. T. Blum absent.

Messrs. Wilson and Shoer, bankers, Greensboro, N.C., having paid back the amount the Board had lent them, viz., \$3,050.00, interest \$232.47, total \$3,282.47 less $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent premium charged for a Northern draft, \$8.24, leaves \$3,274.27 net, Board deliberated at some length as to what investment should be made, and finally agreed that the Treasurer send \$4,050.00 to the Fidelity Insurance Trust & Safe Deposit Company of Phila., and get them to invest it in a good first mortgage, and would prefer a mortgage to run some length of time, as it is to be of the nature of a permanent investment. The Treasurer is to make up the amount by adding what he now has on deposit in Phila. and balance from his deposit in Bank here.

It was mentioned that some of our members wished the Board to guarantee the payment of the expenses of 2 Bishops to come and ordain Bro. Schweinitz, the expense of one, or Bro. Schweinitz's expenses going North to be borne by the Sustentation. The Board preferred that it should be done by private subscription.

The Town Commissioners are very anxious to get some more eligible place to locate a Fire Engine House, as it is now very difficult to get the engine from its present location below Bro. Wm. Petersen's when wanted in haste. It is very desirable to have it somewhere on the Main Street if possible, but difficult to obtain such a place. Board is willing that such room be given below the Museum Building in the Boys School House garden if a neat building is placed there that would not be a disgrace in such a public locality, and give no title, however, to the land, but in case no longer used for such purpose the building to be removed or revert to this Board.

Mon., Sept. 21. All present.

It was determined to lay off a street [Poplar] in rear of Leak's lot [#184] in Winston 40 feet wide.

Mon., Oct. 19. All present except Bro. A. F. Pfohl.

The Town Commissioners asked leave to take gravel from the hill aside the Shallowford Road beyond the Old Factory to repair the road, which was granted.

Next Thursday afternoon was agreed upon to commence laying off some streets in Winston. A communication was read from the Winston Board of Town Commissioners directing the Board to put the side walk in front of our lots on Main Street in good condition. No action taken.

Mon., Oct. 26. All present except Bro. A. F. Pfohl.

Andrew Burke applies for a lot [#176] on 4th St., Winston, west of Leak's, and Board agrees he shall have one at \$8.00 per M. [1,000 sq. ft.]

Sr. Pauline Vogler wishes her note for \$1,000.00 paid up, as she can lend her money at a higher rate of interest. Board directs the Treasurer to pay her.

Mon., Nov. 2. Brn. A. F. Pfohl and E. T. Blum absent.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Mayor of Winston informing this Board that the Board of Commissioners of Winston had condemned the land lying in the way of the extension of 4th or Shallowford Street, and had appointed J. D. Teves, a free-holder of their Town, to meet one to be appointed by this Board on Tuesday morning, Nov. 3d (tomorrow), at 9 o'clock A.M., at Thomas Leak's corner, there to arbitrate the matter and award damages if any. Board appointed Dr. J. F. Shaffner to act in behalf of this Board—or Congregation. Board directs Treasr. also to notify Andrew Burke at once of this movement, as the lot he wants will be interfered with by the extension of said street.

Board further determines that for the present all sales of lots in Winston be discontinued. This has to be done, as the Winston Board of Commissioners claim that they alone have the right to lay out streets, and can close up any we may lay out without their sanction.

Thurs., Nov. 5. Extra called meeting. H. W. Fries only absent.

This meeting was called in order to meet with Dr. Shaffner and interchange ideas about the Winston street matter. The Chairman stated that Mr. Starbuck, one of the Winston

Commissioners, had informed him that according to the phraseology of the Law, the Winston Commissioners could and would require that both the arbitrators must be Winston citizens and free-holders. This, it is evident, was not the intent and spirit of the Law, and is so manifestly improper and unjust to this Board that they request Dr. Shaffner, if such a move is made, to at once withdraw after protesting against such injustice and unfairness, and cast all the odium of such unfair dealing upon the Winston Board.

Mon., Nov. 9. All present.

Applications have been made to the Treasr. for lots in Winston, but owing to the state of affairs still pending between Winston Commissioners and this Board no lots will be sold for the present.

Mon., Nov. 30. All present but Bro. A. F. Pfohl.

Andrew Burke, who bought a lot facing 4th St. that has now been in part condemned for a street by the Winston Commissioners, is allowed to have 110 feet north of said street, and the 20 feet that will be below or south of said New Street to be added to E. T. Blum's lot.

Bro. Wm. Cooper and L. Hendrix, late purchasers of the Salem Mill, ask to buy the part of the land heretofore leased to the Mill Co. They wish the field around the Miller's House and the house, stable and garden. Also that in the rear of the mill as far as to the end of the tail-race. Also in front of the Mill up to the street—continuation of Marshall St.—and a strip all the way up the race to the head thereof and a few acres above the head of the race to enable them to protect themselves when the Creek sometimes breaks through. The Board has viewed the ground, and agrees that the company shall have the Mill House tract, less the continuation of Poplar street, to be reserved, as it is the intention to continue said street from West St. to the Mill Race. The land in fence north of the Creek from said street down to P. A. Wilson's line at the mouth of their tail-race. Also one rod on the north side of the Mill Race, counting from the centre of the race, but is willing to add an additional rod and make it 2 rods on the south side from centre of race so as to give room for hauling [and] repairing. After considerable debate as to the price to be charged for the various tracts Board agreed upon the sum of \$1,000.00 as the

sum to be paid for the whole as above specified. The Treasurer to inform them of this resolution and if accepted by them is to proceed to make the survey.

Mon., Dec. 14. All present.

Among unfinished business came up Bro. F. W. Meller's application to buy his shop. On reference to the resolutions passed by the Cong. Council specifying what property, land, lots, etc., shall not be sold by the Trustees, we find that the Widows House lot is named, and as Bro. Meller's Shop is on part of said lot it cannot be sold.

The street 40 feet wide which is a continuation of Poplar is to be opened south of the Mill Lane to the race so as to make the lots we still hold in that locality accessible.

Treasurer reported about \$2,525.00 on hand in Bank and North, and Board directed him to express \$2,350 to the Fidelity Insurance Trust & Safe Deposit Co. of Philadelphia, Pa., and request them to invest \$2,500.00 in a first class mortgage.

Provincial Financial Board, 1874
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Thurs., Jan. 15. Br. Rights absent.

1. The parsonage at Kernersville will soon be ready for occupation.

2. A kitchen is to be added to the parsonage at Bethania, as the present kitchen is too small and inconvenient. The plan is to build a frame kitchen in the yard, about 16 x 18 feet. Br. Greider thinks that with \$25 assistance from Sustent. Diacy. the congregation will be able to put up the building, \$25 additional having been promised by S.F.A. for the purpose. Board granted the \$25.

3. The roof of the Friedland Church, on one side, is very bad. A few dollars from Sustent. Diacy. will enable the small number of brethren of that congregation to put on a new one.

4. The Trustees of Salem Congr. having paid over to the Treasurer of Wa.S.D. \$800, the first installment on the \$10,000, and promised an additional sum in a short time, and \$50 having been received, a bequest of Sr. Lydia S. Transou, deceased, Treasurer was requested to invest say from \$1,000 to \$1,200 in the new loan of the City of Philadelphia as soon as he can make up the amount.

Mon., Feb. 16. Br. Rights absent.

1. The Board of Trustees of Salem Congr. have paid over \$300 additional to the Treasurer of Sustent. Diacy. Board ordered \$1,200 to be invested.

2. On Feb. 12th the Board, with the exception of Br. Pfohl, were at Kernersville to receive the parsonage from the contractor. Shutters, stipulated for in the contract, have not yet been made, but will be soon added. The mortar used was of a very inferior quality, and hence the job is a poor one. A porch, not in the contract, has been added to the south side of the L, for which the contractor is to receive compensation. The L is about 2 feet wider than called for by the contract. There is still a balance of \$200 due the contractor on the contract, \$100 of which are to be paid and the other retained till the job is completely finished and the bake oven rebuilt.

Fri., Mar. 13. Br. Rights absent.

1. As Dr. E. Kerner is greatly in need of the \$100 still due him on the contract in order to pay off debts incurred from the building, Board agreed that the balance should be paid over to him.

Wed., May 6. Brn. Pfohl and Rights absent.

1. The Trustees of Salem Congr. have paid over \$1,000 more to the Treasurer, which Board ordered to be invested in Lehigh Valley R.Rd. 7 percent bonds.

Fri., May 29.

Br. S. T. Pfohl, who was Treasurer of Wa. Sustentation Fund since 1858 and discharged the duties of this office with great faithfulness, who since 1869 was likewise a member of the P.E.C., departed this life on May 26th. As the office of Treasurer must be filled without delay, the Chairman [E. A. de Schweinitz] of the Financial Board consented to assume its duties for the present.

Wed., June 24. Br. Rights absent.

1. All investments standing in the name of Br. S. T. Pfohl, deceased, belonging to Wa. Sustent. were ordered by the Board to be transferred to Br. E. A. de Schweinitz.

2. The Trustees of Salem Congr. have paid \$3,500 of the \$10,000 in lieu of annual contributions to Sustent. Fund.

There therefore only remains a balance of \$6,500 unpaid. Of the above sum \$3,500, \$1,400 have not yet been invested.

4. The contributions of the country congregations for the support of their ministers, at least of the greater part of them, are *decreasing* in amount yearly. A remedy for this evil should, if possible, be found by the Provincial Synod.

Sat., July 11. Br. Rights absent.

1. The yearly accounts of Wa. Sustentation from June 1, 1873, to May 31, 1874, were submitted. Owing to unusual expenses for traveling expenses, pensions, assistance to ministers, etc., the account exhibits a deficit of \$1,038.92 in spite of a contribution of \$3,000 from Salem Female Academy. The accounts will be communicated to the Provincial Synod, to meet on Monday next.

Tues., July 14. All the members of Board present. Br. M. E. Grunert, elected a member of the P.E.C. by the Provincial Synod, was present for the first time at this meeting.

1. The appointment of a Treasurer of Wa. Sustentation was discussed, the chairman of the Board having assumed the duties of the office only temporarily till a regular appointment could be deliberately made. Br. James T. Lineback was proposed as Treasurer, and on motion the Board elected him to the office. It was thought that a small compensation, merely as an acknowledgment of his services, say the sum of \$25 per annum, would be satisfactory to the brother, in view of all the circumstances. In order to avoid repeated transfers, it was resolved that all investments remain and be made in the name of the Chairman of the Board.

Fri., July 24. Br. Rights absent. Br. James T. Lineback, the newly appointed Treasurer of Wa. Sustentation, present.

1. There are now \$2,900 paid on the \$10,000 by Trustees of Salem Cong. ready for investment. The Trustees have paid the sum of \$5,000 in all thus far. Board, on motion, offered the sum of \$3,000 to Pa. Sustentation at 6% per annum for investment.

Tues., Aug. 11. Br. Rights absent.

1. A letter was communicated from the Treasurer of Pa. Sustentation declining the loan of \$3,000. On motion, Board

resolved to invest the \$3,000 in Lehigh Coal & Navigation consolidated loan of 1884 at 6% provided the mortgage which secures it is the first mortgage of the company.

3. J. M. Stafford persists in maintaining that he paid the last bill for tuition of his sons to Br. Pfohl. He is evidently mistaken.

Tues., Nov. 3. Brn. C. L. Rights and H. W. Fries absent.

2. Board ordered the investment of the \$1,000 paid by the Trustees of Salem Congregation since the last meeting in a North Pennsylv. Railroad coupon bond at 7%. \$6,000 have thus far been paid by Trustees.

Thurs., Nov. 12. Br. Rights absent.

1. Dr. Elias Kerner has sent in a specified bill of costs of the porch at the parsonage in Kernersville and the 2 feet additional in the width of the back building, amounting to \$80.71. In order to come to a final settlement with him for all and every claim for the house, stabling, sheds, fencing, etc., on the parsonage lot, Board agreed to allow him the amount of his original demand, viz.: \$75.

2. Mr. Burgess, assistant teacher in the Moravian Male Academy, has left without due notice about a week ago. The amount of salary due him for about 1 week is, however, to be paid him.

3. A written application of Bro. Eugene P. Greider for reimbursement of his expenses in altering the Bethania carriage, which alteration he had made at his own risk and expense, was laid before the Board. The alteration was a material improvement of the vehicle. It cost \$50 in cash, and Bro. Greider asks the Board to grant him \$40 of this sum. Board adjourned before taking final action on this application.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1874

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Eugene P. Greider.]

Sat., Jan. 10. Called around town and had Committee meeting this noon. ([Bethania Report:] Agreed to let out the ground below the orchard not under cultivation to the lowest bidder. A committee of two was appointed to view the ground

and determine what shall be done to make it productive and then sell the privilege of its use on next Saturday at 2 o'clock on the ground. A proposition was made to build a kitchen to the parsonage. It was thought the building could be put up, provided \$50 can be collected outside of the congregation.)

Sun., Jan. 11. From Old Town rode to Salem, put up with Br. de Schweinitz and participated in the closing services of the Week of Prayer. Nine ministers took part. Solicited subscriptions for the building of a kitchen. . . .

Wed., Jan. 14. [I]n the evening commenced a series of lectures on Christian doctrine, taking our larger catechism as a text book. The attendance was encouraging.

Sat., Jan. 17. The ground below the orchard and not under cultivation was let out this noon to Alex. Grabs for 3 years. A written agreement will be drawn up between the parties. Cold, 14° above zero.

Sun., Jan. 18. [T]here was a short service with discourse at 10 o'clock and a Council meeting followed at Bethania. ([Bethania Report:] the information was communicated that the necessary \$50 would be donated towards the building of a kitchen to the parsonage. It was agreed to proceed at once to the erection of the same.)

Mon., Jan. 19. Visited the aged couple Abraham and Elizth. Shamel, living one mile east of Bethabara, both over 80 years of age and unable to attend church. Learned their condition of life, conversed with them on the "one thing needful," read portions of scriptures to and prayed with them.

Sat., Jan. 24. The heavy timber for the new kitchen was hewed in the woods and hauled into the yard today. Also the board timber for the roof.

Mon., Feb. 9. The condition of the roads forbids travel, tho' teams are run notwithstanding. Called around in town.

Wed., Feb. 18. A severe snowstorm set in this morning and continued till noon. No meeting this evening on account of the bad sidewalks.

Sat., Feb. 21. Today 30 persons came together and put up the kitchen, ready for the roof and boarding up, which will be done later. The weather proved favourable.

Mon., Feb. 23. For want of bodily strength and mental energy could not do anything today.

Tues., Feb. 24. Snowed all day. Out in town this afternoon. Hail and rain this evening, continuing all night.

Mon., Mar. 2. Visited in town. Roads too bad and the horse's feet too sore to ride out today. A beautiful day overhead.

Tues., Mar. 3. Visited several families in town. Solicited the members in town to come together after supper and put the flooring and ceiling plank into the drying kiln, which was also promptly done.

Thurs., Mar. 5. Rose at 5 o'clock, fed my horse, took breakfast, and at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock started for Salem via the Old Town Mill and old plank road. Found the road pretty fair, with the exception of the street in this "ugly old town" which is mud up to the throat fit to kill civilization out of any man. Coming home in the buggy my horse required seven respites from the muddy lane to the yard, and none elsewhere on the entire road.

Fri., Mar. 6. Another day of rain. Made a good use of the day in preparations for future use. Some of our people seem to think that a minister ought to be out all the time and at the same time preach well on Sunday, or any other day when called upon. They stake his reputation upon such a proceeding. If he is suspected of studying much and of writing, he is in their eyes a poor preacher. If he can apparently shake it out of his sleeve, he is smart. Others think he should work in the week and preach on Sunday, and do the latter gratuitously, "without money and without price" [Isa. 55:1].

Wed., Mar. 11. Our potato patch was ploughed and planted today. Also some of the garden spaded and early gardening done, Mr. James Grabs and his wife attending to it.

Sat., Mar. 14. This has been a cold, rough, and stormy week. The roads were superficially repaired today by a squad of citizens.

Sun., Mar. 15. Preached at Bethania this morning at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. After a hasty lunch¹ started for Spanish Grove with my family. Lectured on "The Christian Church" to a crowded house. Three ministers of the Methodist church were present. Two of them led in prayer at the close. Called for candidates for church membership, but none presented themselves.

Wed., Mar. 18. Engaged all day in the yard and around the house. Lecture this evening. As previously announced, I requested candidates for church membership to remain at the

¹Northerner Eugene Greider uses this word rather than the more traditional southern noon-hour repast of "dinner."

close of the meeting, but none remained. There are some who are thinking on these things, but not yet decided.

Sat., Mar. 21. Committee meeting this afternoon. It was suggested to use more method in raising the minister's salary, and a list of all the full majority members was placed in the hands of the collectors. The mode of conducting the Passion Week services was arranged and approved. ([Bethania Committee minutes:] The lightning rod was declared to be useless and might as well be taken down.)

Thurs., Mar. 26. Engaged in arranging a programme for the Passion Week services.

Sun., Mar. 29. Palm Sunday. Never before in my active ministry did I spend this day without a confirmation. Opened the Passion Week services with prayer and an address explanatory of the custom among us, and drew a comparison between the work of creation and the toils of redemption, in keeping with the sentiment, "'Twas great to speak the world from nought; 'Twas greater to redeem," and read the Acts of Saturday and Sunday interspersed with the singing of appropriate hymns.

Thurs., Apr. 2. Maundy Thursday. Reading at 1 1/2 P.M. and then followed the Lord's Supper, which was largely attended. Parmenio Stoltz was readmitted to church privileges. Meeting tonight was also well attended.

Fri., Apr. 3. Good Friday. Three distinct services were held today. At 10 A.M. we meditated upon the trial and condemnation, at 2 1/2 P.M. upon the crucifixion, and at 7 P.M. upon the burial of our blessed Redeemer. All of these meetings were remarkably well attended. Br. Edg. Lineback held a meeting at Bethabara on Sunday, Monday and on Thursday evening. Tuesday and Wednesday were unfavourable. Rain on those evenings. Grunert the Communion [on Friday].

Sat., Apr. 4. The kitchen planks were removed from the kiln today.

Sun., Apr. 5. Visited the Graveyard at 5 1/2 o'clock. Preached here at 10 A.M. At Bethabara Graveyard service, baptism, preaching, Council meeting, and renewed minister's subscription for 1874. Returned [to Bethania] and read the Acts of the Resurrection. Officiated in services and meetings for 5 1/2 hours this day.

Mon., Apr. 6. Wife and I at Salem. Spent the night at Sr. Fockel's, where a house meeting was held.

Wed., Apr. 8. Visited Wm. Lineback, who is suffering from a slight attack of St. Vitus's dance.

Tues., Apr. 14. Rained all day. The kitchen was roofed and weather-boarded in part. The rain interfered considerably with the work.

Sat., Apr. 18. A cloudy day. At 7 A.M. I with family started for a visit to the Butner families near the Pilot Mountain. After a toilsome and fatiguing drive of 16 miles over a very bad road we reach the house of Br. Edward Butner at 1 1/2 o'clock P.M., where we were entertained in the most hospitable manner and tarried for the night. On the following day . . .

Sun., Apr. 19. . . . it rained all day, which prevented preaching at the school house nearby (also at Bethabara as arranged). At 1 o'clock a baptism and house meeting was held at the house of Francis Butner, about 25 persons attending. ([Bethania Report:] Took a wild turkey dinner and supper there. The turkey was captured by the veteran hunter, Dan. Wolf.)

Wed., Apr. 22. Engaged all day in arranging for another day's work on the kitchen and visited Br. Butner to report my visit to his children.

Fri., Apr. 24. The company work on the kitchen was ended today. Alex Grabs, Jas. Butner and Jas. Grabs will now finish the building.

Tues., Apr. 28. Hauled some lumber from the mill for the kitchen. . . .

Thurs., Apr. 30. Funeral of Sr. Shore at Bethabara at 2 o'clock. Kitchen done except chimney.

Wed., May 6. Took another jaunt through the country to engage material and hands to build the chimney for the kitchen.

Thurs., May 7. Fatigue from much riding and duties required of me in the completion of the kitchen hindered me from attending the [Ministers] Conference at Salem today. Took down the old chimney this evening.

Fri., Sat., May 8, 9. Busy all day, assisting in the work of kitchen.

Tues., May 12. This morning the new kitchen was occupied. Engaged in clearing up the yard and removing some of the rubbish and dirt.

Sat., May 16. Another day of hard work on the premises ([Bethania Report:] removing the debris left from the old chimney and bake oven and filling up the yard therewith).

Thurs., May 28. Br. Thomas Pfohl was buried in Salem today. Neither of us were well enough to attend at so early an hour, the funeral being appointed at 9 o'clock this morning. ([Bethania Report:] We hear one saying to the other: "Did you hear that old Thomas Pfohl is dead? I believe that man never had an enemy." Such a record speaks volumes.)

Sun., May 31. Sunday School at 8½ o'clock and preaching at 10 o'clock at Bethania. Preaching at Bethabara at 1½ P.M. ([Bethania Report:] A large number of young people of both sexes attend there [Bethabara] regularly, and it is to be deplored that no Sunday school has as yet been organized.)

Mon., June 1. The latter part of May has been dry and hot. Engaged at home the greater part of the day. After vesper visited Wm. Lineback. Found him improved but nervous.

Thurs., June 4. Attended the ministerial conference at Salem. Received \$10 from the Poor Fund through E. A. Vogler for Widow Stoltz, a member of the Salem Congregation.

Fri., June 5. Today our dry and thirsty land was visited with refreshing showers. Bodily illness kept me at home today.

Mon., June 8. Out for lime to plaster with.

Wed., June 10. The excessive heat kept me at home the greater part of the day. Thermo. 98° above zero. Out in town this evening.

Sun., June 14. The 116th anniversary of Bethania Congregation. In the evening called to see Edw. Butner at his father's house and arranged to preach at their school house the 3d Sunday in July.

Wed., June 24. A busy season with our farmers in the town and in the country. At 8 o'clock the heads of families met and decided to hold a basket picnic on Saturday, July 25th.

Sat., June 27. Spent the day seeking the coolest place for study.

([Bethania Report:] The excessive heat of the month [of June] interfered considerably with the health and comfort and duties of the pastor, unused to such an early heated term.)

Sat., July 11. Assisted in cleaning out our well and repairing the cover. All day preparing for rain. Some showers at night.

Mon., July 13. Attended the meeting of Synod at Salem. Br. M. E. Grunert was elected into the P.E.C. in the place of Br. S. T. Pfohl, deceased. Reached home much fatigued at 8 o'clock.

Tues., July 14. The morning was spent in having my horse shod and in visiting H. Butner.

Sat., July 18. At 7 A.M. started for Stony Ridge. Reached the house of Edw. Butner's at noon and found all of them well and busy.

Sun., July 19. At 11 A.M. preached in the open air, adjoining the Stony Ridge School House to a large, promiscuous [i.e., diverse] assembly of people of all denominations, on "Christ's willingness to receive sinners" (John 6:37). Took dinner at F. Butner's and later in the day visited D. Wolf and family. In the morning . . .

Mon., July 20. . . . started for home via Spainhour's mill. Visited Wm. Spainhour and wife, both professed communicants of the church, but nowhere recognized in the records of the church as such. Invited them to attend our August communion. Took dinner with them. Reached home at 5 o'clock.

Wed., July 22. Spent the day at home and visiting in the upper part of town. A meeting was held tonight to complete the arrangements for the Pic Nic to be held on Saturday at the spring.

Thurs., July 23. Visited in the lower part of the town in the evening and at 7 o'clock the Sunday school scholars and teachers met to sing.

Sat., July 25. At 8 o'clock the Sunday School met at the church and proceeded in procession, singing as they went, to the end of town and afterwards to the Pic Nic grounds. Parents, members and friends continued coming to the number of about 150, all bent on spending a happy, social day in the woods. Arrangements for dinner were entered into, but to our sorrow a shower of rain came up, and the most of the people returned to town and took their dinners at home. Others remained on the ground and done the best they could. The afternoon was cloudy and showery. Thus the purpose of our meeting was in a great measure hindered and our anticipated pleasures marred. The young folks gathered in various families [and] spent the rest of the day and evening "as the manner of some is."

Sun., July 26. A rainy day. No one came to Sunday School or to worship owing to the repeated heavy showers this morning. For the same reason I did not go over to Bethabara.

Tues., Aug. 4. Engaged in repairing out buildings on the premises.

Wed., Aug. 5. Called on Levin Grabs and Jo. Transue in their workshops, on Oliver Lehman at the store, and after vesper visited Wm. Lineback.

Mon., Aug. 24. Wife and I spent the day in worship with our Methodist brethren at Doup's Chapel. Took lunch in the woods with Michael Doup and family. Also supper at his house after the noon services were concluded.

Tues., Sept. 1. Could not ride out today on account of sideache. Done some light work on the premises, wrote out my report for August, and visited the sick, aged and infirm in town.

Wed., Sept. 2. Attended the Protestant Methodist camp meeting $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles northwest from town. Preached for them, and during the day assisted in the work. Returned home very tired.

Sat., Sept. 5. Attended the Sunday School Pic Nic at Spanish Grove with my family. Addressed the gathered assembly at noon. About 300 persons were there, and all departed themselves well.

Tues., Sept. 8. Started to go to Sandy Ridge to attend a meeting there. Hearing on the way that there was nothing there this morning, I returned home.

Thurs., Sept. 17. Visited in the lower and upper part of the town today. At noon some of the members united in clearing out our front yard by cutting down the cedar scrubs, etc.

Fri., Sept. 18. At home, arranging for tomorrow's meeting.

Sat., Sept. 19. With family went to Spanish Grove to spend several days in special meetings.

Sun., Sept. 20. Gave evidence of an unusual attendance, which led to arrangements for worship outside in the grove. All of these services were numerously attended by Moravians, Methodists and others.

Mon., Sept. 21. [I]n the evening the pastor preached and, associated with Br. Rights, closed these meetings, all feeling thankful for the privileges enjoyed. They were union meetings in which five Moravian and five Methodist ministers united with large congregations in the worship of God, preaching and

exhorting them to turn from their idols to serve the true and living God, quite a number of lay brethren of the Methodist church assisting in prayer.

Sat., Sept. 26. With family attended a Sunday school celebration at Doub's Chapel and by invitation of the preacher in charge addressed the children. Subject: Obedience. All present, young and old, were supplied with refreshments and lunch from one common bountiful table. A success.

Tues., Sept. 29. Washed and greased the carriage, and at noon by special request of the father, Sol. Long, visited a member of his family, a young lad 16 years of age, sick in bed and much distressed in soul. Conversed and prayed with him. Left him improved.

Sun., Oct. 11. Spent the day in Salem to witness to the episcopal ordination of Br. Emil A. de Schweinitz. No assembling together of the congregations either at Bethania and Bethabara.

Mon., Oct. 12. Relaid the hearths in both lower rooms of the house.

Thurs., Oct. 15. Br. Emil A. and Edmund de Schweinitz and R. P. Lineback visited Bethania this afternoon. After vesper returned to Salem.

Sun., Oct. 18. Festival for the Married, for Widowers and Widows, and Lovefeast and Communion for all the communicants. Morning prayer meeting at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock for the Choirs. Bishop Shultz, detained at Salem over Sunday, visited Bethania and preached to a large congregation on the "Badge of Christian Discipleship" (John 13:34-35). ([Bethania Report:] Wm. Spainhour and his wife Pomelia m.n. Grabs united with the congregation in the Lovefeast and Communion, having denied themselves this privilege for over 20 years. He placed his name among the contributors to ministerial support, and they are now regarded as full communicants.) Quite a number of Methodists communed with us. The elements were administered to 110 communicants.

Sat., Oct. 24. Engaged in mental and manual labor alternately.

Sat., Oct. 31. Brought home some corn from Old Town, and engaged in preparations for the morrow. ([Bethania Report:] This month has been distinguished for the salubriousness of its atmosphere, the beauty of its scenery, smoothness of its roads, sharpness of its frosts, and big meetings. The midnight corn husking frolics with consequent bad colds come next.)

Sun., Nov. 1. A small congregation of worshippers assembled this morning in God's house. A few from the country. Preached at Spanish Grove at 2 o'clock to a large congregation. ([Bethania Report:] As usual, the best part of the Mt. Tabor congregation came over to us after the conclusion of their worship. The people in that community do not appear as yet to be gospel killed.)

Wed., Nov. 4. Met Sr. Holder from Hope [in Indiana] at Dan Butner's, her brother.

Fri., Nov. 20. Owing to the frequent interruptions in the health of our daughter Emma, we have for two weeks been prevented from continuing our visits in the country. Visited several sick today and called on others in town.

Sat., Nov. 21. Bethabara Anniversary. Bishop E. A. de Schweinitz preached the sermon at 11 A.M. on the daily word for the 17th inst., Deut. 7:9. Lovefeast at 2 o'clock followed by the Holy Communion. Sixteen souls partook of the symbols of Christ's body and blood, including the officiating minister with the pastor and his wife.

Sun., Nov. 22. A day of incessant rain. A small congregation of worshippers assembled at the usual hour, to whom a sermon was preached, the fourth and last of a series on saving religion. Having no suitable place for Sunday school, the church having no warming apparatus, it was omitted.

Mon., Nov. 23. At home today, engaged in reading and meditation.

Tues., Nov. 24. After long and patient waiting, at last succeeded in having the small room (formerly kitchen) plastered by Wm. Waldraven. Also had some wood prepared for the stove.

Thurs., Nov. 26. Public Thanksgiving. This day was publicly recognized in God's house by about 40 worshippers.

Sun., Nov. 29. Only 40 souls presented themselves in the sanctuary to enter upon a new church year on this first Sunday in Advent. Made arrangements to have Sunday school in the vacant house of the Lash's (Livingston House). No fire was made, as it was contended that the chimney should first be burnt out. Practiced singing for Christmas.

Fri., Dec. 4. Drove the entering wedge into the mountain of difficulties before the congregation in reference to heating the church.

Sat., Dec. 5. We have had most delightful weather for the last fortnight. A clear and balmy atmosphere. Preached at Spanish Grove at 1 1/2 o'clock before a select audience of about 40 persons under a manifest sense of the divine presence.

Sun., Dec. 6. Public worship at the appointed hour. Over 50 souls, young and old, gave earnest heed to the word spoken. At 1 o'clock the Sunday School (25 scholars and 6 teachers) met in the Livingston House. After the instruction, singing was practiced with the children for Christmas, and then the teachers devised ways and means for a proper observance of the anniversary of our Saviour's birth with our school in connection with the regular Xmas Eve services.

Mon., Dec. 7. Doing chores in and around the house. Engaged at the desk writing letters. Whitewashed the small room below.

Sat., Dec. 12. ([Bethania Report:] The Committee met . . . and agreed to have decorations, lovefeast, etc., as usual at Christmas. A committee of three was appointed to estimate the cost of putting up a chimney and stove with drum and pipe for warming purposes. Br. Augustus Oehman, charged with criminal intercourse with a coloured woman, was summoned before the Board to answer to and deny the charge. After a full understanding of the case, he was acquitted.)

Sun., Dec. 20. A day of incessant rain. Owing to decorations in progress in the church, no services were held today. The Sunday School met and practiced singing.

Thurs., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. Services at 5 1/2 o'clock P.M. Lovefeast for the children. The church was decorated with cedar garlands festooned around the galleries and sides of the church. A pyramidal four-sided transparent inscription with three representative scenes occupied a place before the pulpit, and on each side of this a finely proportioned pine tree was placed, decorated with bright gilt and other coloured paper and illuminated with wax tapers as Christmas trees. All becoming for the occasion. Lovefeast and wax tapers were served to the children. The choir sang three and the Sunday school six pieces of music. Three short addresses by the pastor. The evening was fair and the congregation large, and good order prevailed.

Fri., Dec. 25. Xmas Festival at Bethabara at 5 1/2 o'clock. No decorations. A large congregation. Over 200 adults and children partook of lovefeast, and 50 candles were distributed.

Sat., Dec. 26. Xmas Festival at Spanish Grove. The exercises commenced at 11 o'clock. The children of the Sunday school entertained the large congregation by singing a number of musical pieces, during which time the pastor read the history of the Saviour's birth, offered a prayer and delivered three addresses. Over 350 adults and children received lovefeast, and 90 wax tapers were distributed. The meeting continued for 3 hours, during which time the best order prevailed. Rained all day, yet with all this, the festival was highly appreciated and numerously attended. The meeting house was decorated with cedar wreaths and the altar trimmed with evergreen and flowers.

Mon., Dec. 28. Engaged in writing several letters and in summing up the events of the year for the memorabilias. But the reaction of the labors and excitement of the past week compelled me to drop all and rest awhile. I felt very miserable tho' engaged later again.

Retrospect: Preached 142 sermons and short discourses. In preaching, visiting and other official duties travelled on horseback or in the carriage, alone or in company with wife 1,581 miles. Made 720 visits (457 in town, 263 in country). Offered up at the bedside of the sick and in the midst of families 281 prayers, with reading of the scriptures, and occasional exhortations.

Friedberg Diary, 1874

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of David Zeisberger Smith.]

Sun., Jan. 11. After preaching, a meeting of the Committee was called at the request of the pulpit building committee. Br. E. Vogler was also present, and was requested to draw a draft of the pulpit with arched recess on the east end of the church, and the building committee were instructed to build according to the proposed plan. Mr. Howard Ruede, a son of Mr. Herman Ruede, a native of Friedberg, had accompanied Br. V. Our visitors dined with us, and after spending an agreeable hour with them, they returned to Salem.

Sun., Jan. 18. On my return home found Br. John Foltz waiting to see me; his oldest son Jacob is very sick. I gave him

some medicine, as he could not obtain a physician that evening anymore.

Tues., Jan. 20. Went to Salem to collect for building the new pulpit.

Thurs., Jan. 22. [R]eturned home. Collected over \$20 with promise of more.

Sat., Jan. 24. Set out a dozen grafted apple trees, and two may duke cherry trees.

Fri., Jan. 30. Sr. S. had a carpet rag sewing, or as it is here called "carpet tacking." 7 sisters were present.

Sun., Feb. 1. Meeting of the officers of the S.S. resolved to endeavor to raise sufficient money to subscribe for 50 copies of the "Little Missionary." Also meeting of the Board of Elders, and the names on Br. Walk's subscription list were distributed among three other Brn. of the Committee.

Tues., Feb. 3. The trees are all beautifully covered with ice and sleet—however, an injury to them, as many of the limbs are breaking from the weight. We had purposed going to Jno. Burk's, but did not think it advisable on account of falling limbs and ice.

Sun., Feb. 8. After preaching a collection was taken up for paying subscription for "Little Missionary" (collection amounted to \$3.54).

Tues., Feb. 17. Repair day, and quite a number of Brn. came to work. The rocks were hauled, and the foundation built for the pulpit recess, sills hewed, laths and boards got out, and various repairs made.

Wed., Feb. 18. While pondering in bed over the abominable custom in my congregation of chewers spitting and defiling the sanctuary, and the filthy common habit of aged and even young females, members of the church, smoking pipes, I felt it to be my duty to discountenance these filthy practices by first renouncing the use of the weed myself. Relying upon the grace of God, I forthwith set about demolishing my pipes, and cast all my tobacco into the fire.

Mon., Mar. 2. Today a beginning was made in putting up the new pulpit and recess. A number of Brn. came to assist.

Sun., Mar. 8. [P]reached from the new pulpit.

Mon., Mar. 9. The plasterer came to plaster and whitewash, which was finished by Saturday.

Mon.-Sat., Mar. 16-21. During this week two men were engaged in painting the new pulpit and inside of the church.

Sat., Mar. 21. The church presents a beautiful appearance now that it has been repainted.

Sun., Mar. 29. (Palm Sunday.) The pulpit was beautifully decorated with flowers. After S.S., which was well attended, an appropriate piece was sung from the choir, when, after a short address, the new pulpit was solemnly consecrated to the Lord in a fervent prayer. The Acts of Palm Sunday were then read, during which the "Hosanna" was sung. Preaching afterwards (text: John 12:1-3). The church was full.

Sun., Apr. 5. (Easter.) First the usual Sunday School was kept in the church. At 10 o'clock, a procession was formed before the church, and we thence marched to the graveyard, where the Easter Morning Litany was prayed. Afterwards preaching in the church, which was crowded. Text: Rom. 8:34. Two choir pieces were sung.

Mon., May 4. In the evening an exhibition of the magic lantern in the Schoolhouse.

Thurs., May 14. (Ascension Day.) In the meeting for today a dozen persons were present including Br. A. Lichtenthaler, and the pastor and his family.

Sun., May 17. (First mess of ripe strawberries from the garden.)

Fri., May 22. For several days was quite sick, having been poisoned by ground ivy.

Mon., June 15. Our Bertie had her birthday and had a surprise visit from her friends, Misses Annie de Schweinitz and Carrie Grunert, brought by Br. James Leinbach.

Fri., June 26. The boys went for wild plums and brought about 20 quarts, which were preserved.

Sat., June 27. David went to Salem with Emma and Lizzie, Emma to remain a week on duty in the Academy, and Lizzie returned with a Victor sewing machine, which the girls bought of their earnings.

Sun., June 28. At 3 P.M. preached at Pleasant Fork, where the attendance was quite good. They have commenced a S.S. here, which is quite well attended. Br. Nath. Mack is superintendent.

Tues., June 30. Sr. S. was taken sick with colic. Worried also because we are without a hired girl, the one we had having left Sunday last.

Mon., July 20. We have at present great trouble in procuring domestic help. They are really necessary evils. On this

account and on account of sickness we have lately done little in visiting. Worked in the garden.

Tues., July 21. Obligated to go to Salem for supplies. Sr. S. has for 3 weeks been almost entirely confined to her bed by sickness—flux—is again improving though very weak.

Mon., July 27. [V]isited Br. Chas. Rothrock with Sr. S. and the two little ones. Fortunate in securing domestic help in his daughter.

Fri., Aug. 7. Assisted several Brn. in repairing a mud hole on the road to Miller's mill.

Sat., Aug. 15. We celebrated our communion season in connexion with the celebration of the 13th of Aug. [Also a] Home Missionary Society was organized with 85 members. A constitution was adopted, and the officers in accordance with the constitution chosen, and \$8.80 subscribed for the quarter, of which \$7.49 was immediately paid in. While engaged in getting subscribers, Br. Traugot Spaugh made an address. Quite an interest seems to manifest itself in the causes.

Sun., Aug. 16. After preaching the executive board of the H.M.S. had a meeting, and the 10 collectors were provided with books to keep an account of their collections.

Tues., Aug. 18. In the evening Br. Jesse Knouse came, according to appointment, with Shelton Tesh, who had run away from Br. Hege's some time ago. The latter expressed himself sorry for what had happened and desirous of returning to his old home.

Thurs., Aug. 20. Went with Br. Jesse Knouse and Shelton Tesh to Br. Sol. Hege. After considerable difficulty brought about a reconciliation of the parties, all agreeing to sign a written agreement.

Wed., Sept. 2. In the morning took my daughter Lizzie to Salem to the depôt. She goes to Danville, Va., to teach. Emma and David accompanied us.

Sat., Sept. 5. S.S. of Friedberg and Pleasant Fork had a R.R. excursion to Raleigh. Started at 7 o'clock A.M. Of the Friedberg S.S. there were 90 children and teachers.

Sun., Sept. 6. The train returned to Salem early at 5 o'clock. Preached at Salem to a full house. Remained in the afternoon to the Lovefeast and Communion, it being the Married People's festival. After an early supper, started with my family for Friedberg, but after we had proceeded a little over a mile on

our way a tire came off, one of the hind wheels, and we were obliged to return to Salem to spend the night.

Mon., Sept. 7. Br. R. P. Lineback kindly lent us his conveyance, and we arrived at Friedberg at noon.

Thurs., Sept. 10. David left in the morning train for Bethlehem to college, and P.M. we returned to Friedberg.

Sun., Oct. 11. In the morning started with the whole family for Salem. Consecration of Bishop E. A. de Schweinitz by Bishops Shulz, Bigler and Edm. de Schweinitz.

Wed., Oct. 14. At 11 o'clock A.M. Br. Schulz preached to quite a respectable congregation, who had assembled to hear him.

Sat., Oct. 31. Sr. Mary Welfare made application for a certificate to join the Baptists. It was stated that such could not be given, as that denomination did not honor such certificates.

Sun., Nov. 8. At the close of the preaching, Bro. Joel Rothrock from West Salem, formerly a member of Friedberg, made a very interesting address of about an hour.

Mon., Nov. 16. Early after breakfast went to Salem. Took the sewing machine to the R.R. depôt to be sent to Danville to Lizzie. . . .

Sat., Nov. 21. Engaged all day in glazing window panes all over the house.

Sun., Dec. 20. Rained very hard all day. Only 3 persons came thro' the rain to meeting. Kept a short service in the church. As nobody came—with the above exceptions—no preparations could be made to arrange for a Christmas decoration in the church.

Tues., Dec. 22. A Christmas tree is being trimmed in the parlor for the children.

Wed., Dec. 23. Went to Salem, and returned in the evening with our daughter Lizzie, who arrived in the train from Danville.

Thurs., Dec. 24. In the evening a select number assembled to practice Christmas anthems to sing tomorrow.

Fri., Dec. 25. (Christmas Day.) A beautiful spring-like day. A very large concourse of people was present at meeting today. Every available seat below, on the galleries, and in the dining room was occupied.

Kernersville Diary, with Friedland, 1874

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Thurs., Jan. 1. After preaching [at Friedland] the members came together and consulted about making repairs. At night there was a torchlight procession of the Temperance Society in Kernersville and several addresses made, concluding with a supper at the Academy.

Fri., Jan. 2. Attended opening of Ministers Conference at Salem. Several new members were present: brother and Sister Eugene P. Greider and brother and Sister David Z. Smith.

Thurs., Jan. 22. Our house is now finished, all [but] to painting upstairs and laying the hearths.

Fri., Jan. 23. Went to get some fruit trees to plant in the yard. Brought home seventeen peach and three apple trees.

Sun., Jan. 25. The Rev. Mr. Pegram of the Protestant Methodist Church preached in the Methodist Church at 11 o'clock. They want to build a church here too. The Episcopal Methodists have sold their old church to the colored people and are going to put up a brick church next summer. I had a good congregation. The attendance is improving considerable in the day. They begin to come from the country. There are, however, several families in town that have never been inside of the church since we have been here, nor would they suffer their children to take part in the Christmas services. They are *hard shell* Methodists, while on the contrary the Baptists attend frequently.

Mon., Jan. 26. Today we realized a gracious preservation. There was fire over in the new house below to dry the walls, and the room doors were shut. The painters were at work upstairs. Directly after dinner Sister Rights proposed we go over and see how they were getting on. We went, and when I opened the bedroom door I was almost stifled with the smoke, and the flame burst up from the floor. A brand had rolled out on the floor, and a considerable part of the sill and floor were burnt through. I ran over to Dr. Kerner's well and got some water and put it out, and the painters upstairs never found it out, only too thankful that we came just in the nick of time.

Thurs., Jan. 29. Nathaniel Kerner went to Salem to get a pump for the well.

Fri., Jan. 30. Nathaniel Kerner and Trougott Chitty brought the pump, and it was put in. The well is 29 feet deep from the top of the ground; the stock is 36 feet long. The painters got through today with the house. Now all is finished but one hearth and the steps.

Sat., Jan. 31. Several doctors from Philadelphia went to Mt. Airy to dissect the Siamese Twins. They died on Saturday, 17th Jan. Eng died of paralysis, and in two hours Chang followed, it is thought from fright.

Sun., Feb. 1. [T]here was consultation [at Friedland] among the males about the repairs. It was proposed to see how many shingles can be got till in two weeks from today. Also the garden fence must be rebuilt; all the materials are ready but a dozen posts. Next comes the graveyard. Yesterday John G. Sides, Rudolph Reed and Eli Hine made one side of the graveyard [fence] new, and now three must be made by other parties.

Sun., Feb. 8. In the afternoon the members met for the purpose of getting up wood for the parsonage and the church. Brother Julius Harmon told them he had land where they might cut as much as they wished, and next Wednesday was the time set apart, and it was proposed to have another meeting from today two weeks, and renew the subscription and elect a new Committee.

Wed., Feb. 11. Today the brethren turned out and hauled up a fine lot of wood.

Thurs., Feb. 12. Today the building committee and brother Schweinitz came out to see the house and premises, and agreed to accept it after the shutters were put to the windows and the bake oven rebuilt.

Mon., Feb. 16. Today we began moving into the new house, and put up a new cooking stove. It seems to do well.

Tues., Feb. 17. Still bringing things from Dr. Kerner's. In the afternoon it began to snow.

Wed., Feb. 18. Spent the first night in the new parsonage. Snowing rapidly.

Thurs., Feb. 19. Snow and sleet making slow progress in getting fired up. The snow is melting, and the streets are very muddy—about as bad as they have been this winter.

Sun., Feb. 22. Preaching in the morning. Afterwards elected a Committee. The old members are retained: Dr. E. Kerner, John F. Kerner and Phillip Kerner. Nathaniel Kerner is church

[steward], and Robert Duggins attends to the graveyard. The subscription list for the support of the minister for 1874 was then presented, and \$32 subscribed. It has not been done at Friedland as yet.

Sat., Feb. 28. February upon the whole has been the most unfavorable month of the season—rain, snow and cold, only about four pleasant days during the month.

Sun., Mar. 1. A rainy day. However, I went to Friedland, but found no one there. Some shingles have been brought but not enough. A part of the garden fence has been put up, and some timber brought for the graveyard, but there are only four or five persons to do anything, hence it goes staid.

Tues., Mar. 3. Putting up wash posts and cleaning off on the yard. There is a great deal yet to do. Yesterday and today the weather has been warm, and feels like spring was coming.

Sun., Mar. 15. Went to Friedland. . . . Phillip Spach and Henry Reed and others made nearly all of the eastern side of the graveyard [fence] new.

Thurs., Mar. 19. Hired a man to help plow up the [Kernersville] parsonage lots, and sowed oats on them.

Sun., Mar. 22. Preaching in the morning at home from 1 Cor. 1:30-31. In the afternoon Sunday School in the Moravian Church. The Methodists have it in the morning in their church. They do not favor our school, and some of our own members are doing all they can against us, but we are prospering notwithstanding, and the number of children is increasing, but we need Bibles. At night I preached again from Psalm 116:9. Both in the morning and night I had good congregations, and one of my most attentive hearers is Mrs. Rush, the wife of the circuit preacher. After preaching in the morning the adult male members met for the purpose of devising means for enlarging the graveyard. Mr. Gentry proposed to give the palings (pine) at his saw mill up the country, and Dr. Kerner proposed to have them hauled. Mr. Fuller has hauled some logs to the mill, and Nathaniel Kerner has sawed them into posts. Brother Julius Harmon offered to find the nails, and on Wednesday, April 1st, all parties are to meet to do the work. Brother George Stuart is to make a new [fence], so the matter is thus far disposed of.

Fri., Apr. 3. Good Friday. Went to Friedland. Reading and Communion. The new graveyard fence around the Friedland graveyard is nearly done. So too at Kernersville the graveyard

has been enlarged and part of the fence made new. They were at work on it today.

Sat., Apr. 18. This month has been very wet, only a few fair days thus far. The farmers cannot plant corn, and everything is behind.

Wed., Apr. 22. Planted corn, beans and cucumbers in the garden. In the evening it rained again. There have been some severe freshets, especially in Georgia, and a number of people have been drowned.

Tues., Apr. 28. Prayer meeting in the evening in the Moravian Church. Monday night Good Templers meeting. Tuesday prayer meeting in the Moravian Church. Wednesday evening prayer meeting in the Methodist Church. Thursday evening Good Templers degree meeting. Friday evening Debating Society meets. ([Kernersville Report:] As the school bell is used on all occasions, it is rung every night except Saturday night, and reminds one of our Place Congregation in the olden times and Herrnhuth at the present.) Weather still cold. This is said to have been the coldest April for 50 years. Vegetation is still very far back, and snow and ice abundant at the north. There have been freshets all over the country, and in the Mississippi bottoms the water is said to extent 50 miles.

Sat., May 2. A warm day.

Wed., June 10. Today was the hottest day this season. In fact it has not been so hot for several years.

Sun., June 14. In the afternoon I preached four miles below Kernersville on the Greensboro Road at a church belonging to the Wesleyans.

Sun., June 28. In the afternoon preached at a schoolhouse four miles west of Kernersville. At the close of the service had an introduction to Mr. Thomas Shields, a teacher at Nazareth Hall who arrived at his father's this morning to spend his vacation.

Sat., July 11. Kernersville Sunday School celebration. Dr. Craven from Trinity made an address, and at night he spoke on temperance.

Sun., July 12. Dr. Craven preached in the Moravian Church in the morning.

Mon., July 13. Attended the Provincial Synod at Salem. Brother M. E. Grunert elected into the P.E.C. Brother Emil de Schweinitz recommended for Bishop of the Southern Province.

The delegates were furnished with a dinner by Brother Grunert in the Academy.

Sat., Aug. 1. Sister Rights and Floy went on an excursion to Raleigh.

Sun., Aug. 16. Found quite a good turnout [at Friedland] considering there was a protracted meeting in the neighborhood conducted by a political preacher named Peels, who carried everything before him last year. He kept up his meeting a whole week, but without any result in the way of making proselytes.

Tues., Aug. 18. Received a letter from Mr. Fale requesting me to go to Mt. Airy and organize a temperance lodge.

Wed., Aug. 19. The excitement in Kernersville just now is shipping green peaches to Richmond. They are worth \$2.50 per bushel.

([Kernersville Report:] *Wed., Sept. 2.* At 11 o'clock a Quaker, Cox by name, preached in the church. There was a good turnout. He preached a good sermon.)

Wed., Sept. 9. Moses Steward is 70 years old today. Went home and sent certificates of church membership to Amos Steward and wife. They want to join the Methodists.

Fri., Oct. 9. ([Kernersville Report:] At night there was a Sunday School entertainment in church by the children of the afternoon Sunday School kept by Sr. Rights and Sister Nathaniel Kerner. This Sunday School is made up of poor children picked up on the streets, and nobody expected anything from them; however, the church was full, and everybody was impressed and agreeably disappointed. In its way, it was a good thing.)

Thurs., Oct. 29. Organized a temperance lodge at Mt. Airy.

Sun., Nov. 15. Went to Friedland and preached from John 5:39. Brother Joel Rothrock from West Salem, being present, gave us an interesting sketch of the use and progress of the two congregations, German and English, located there, and referred particularly to the renewal that took place there last summer, and the effects of the renewal in Hope, Indiana, where he spent several days on his way here. He spoke for some time, and when he wanted to stop several times, he was urged to go on. His remarks seemed to have a good effect.

Sun., Dec. 6. Brother Lowder has left the [Friedland] parsonage and moved to his own place.

Wed., Dec. 23. Attended the closing exercises of Kernersville High School. Mr. Hodges will not continue the school another session.

Fri., Dec. 25. The [Kernersville Sunday School] exercises consisted in a Christmas dialogue in two parts and singing, and everything passed off agreeably, and at [the close] the contents of the Christmas tree, about one hundred parcels of candy, and also chestnuts were distributed to the expectant children, and then came the crowning glory in the lighted tapers. Mr. Calvin Roberts of the Methodist Sunday School made the closing address, and then the doxology "Praise God" was sung.

Mon., Dec. 28. Visited brother Phillip Kerner. Last week we expected every day that he would die, but today I found him some better. He is taking medicine from Dr. Sievers, and it seems to give present relief. At night I attended a Good Templers meeting. These Christmas times there has been no drinking in [or] around Kernersville, no egg-nog parties as in years gone by, and everybody seemed disposed to spend Christmas in a Christian way, and I am satisfied the Good Templers have contributed towards it.

Reports of Philadelphia, Hope, and Macedonia, 1874
[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Adolphus
Lichtenthaeler.]

January

On the 8th inst. one of Br. Thos. Spaugh's twin sons, Rufus, had his foot very severely cut with an axe in the hands of his twin brother Walter, caused accidentally through play. His wound is now healing rapidly, and when healed, it is supposed, will not cause him any inconvenience.

May

Owing to the busy summer season preventing Br. Thos. Spaugh from keeping a boarder during these months, with the consent of the P.E.C. I sought and obtained another boarding place. This was found at Br. Charles Pfohl's house in Salem, whither I moved on the 26th inst. The distance to my several congregations is thereby increased from 3 to 5 miles farther

than formerly, but will not, I hope, prevent me from attending to them regularly as heretofore.

June

At Macedonia . . . [t]he Sunday School started only a few weeks ago in connection with the church is very prosperous and already numbers between 50 and 60 scholars. The parents and children both seem to take an interest in it. As an encouragement, I distributed a small number of the *Children's Missionary* magazines among the children, which gave great satisfaction.

July

At Macedonia a regular service was held on Sunday, the 5th inst., and was very well attended, especially by the male portion of the community. A small bell which I had purchased for assembling the congregation was used today for the first time.

October

Hope. From this congregation nothing encouraging can be reported. According to appointment I was on hand on the 4th and 18th inst. to keep services at this place, but as was the case last month I had no congregation to preach to. On the 18th I found Br. Christian Sides as the only one awaiting me; on the former occasion, no one. My proposition is to discontinue services at this place during the winter months and recommence them next spring. Perhaps by that time they may feel the want of religious services in their midst, and they be made more careful to make use of the means of grace which are offered them.

November

Hope. At this place there was only one service held during the month, viz., on Sunday, the 29th inst., when Bro. E. A. de Schweinitz visited the congregation. . . . The attendance was good. After the preaching service a Congregation Council was held to consider the spiritual and temporal condition of the congregation. In order hereafter to prevent confusion arising from a misunderstanding of the regular preaching appointments and to insure a more regular attendance on divine worship at this place, it was decided that services be held here only once a month and that on a regular stated day and time.

December

Macedonia. On Sunday, the 13th inst., after a short session of the Sunday School the Sunday School was discontinued until the approach of next spring. A Church Council was then held for the purpose of taking into consideration the celebration of the approaching Xmas by appropriate services. It was decided that the regular Xmas services, as enjoyed by the rest of our congregations, be held here at Macedonia and provisions made for holding the same. On Saturday, the 26th inst., Xmas services were held in this congregation for the first time and were very well attended in spite of the bad state of the weather. Br. and Sr. John and Fredrica Butner of Phila. congregation superintended the preparation of the Lovefeast. At the close of the meeting small wax candles were distributed to the children. All were well pleased with the services.

[Egypt began expansion into Eritrea on the Red Sea.

Congress passed a Civil Rights Act in March giving equal rights to African Americans in accommodations and jury duty. (The U.S. Supreme Court declared this act unconstitutional in 1883).

The North Carolina Constitution was amended to reduce gains by African Americans during Reconstruction.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1875

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

We are again permitted to record with gratitude to God, that we could assemble in his house for the purpose of closing the year 1874 and opening the year 1875, in our usual manner. The church was well filled at both of the services on New Year's Eve.

The attendance at preaching on New Year's Day was somewhat smaller than usual, owing to the slippery condition of the streets, which rendered walking very difficult. It had rained and sleeted the night before, and a little snow fell during the day. The annual Week of Prayer was observed from Sunday, Jan. 3, to Sunday [the] 10th. We were pleased to have several ministers of other denominations take part in the services during the week, and also in the closing service of Sunday evening, at which there was a large attendance. We trust these services may have been helpful in promoting the union of all among us who love the Lord Jesus Christ on the broad platform of an evangelical Christianity. May it ever be the motto of true Christians everywhere, "in essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, in all things charity!" For we can and should love one another as brethren, and do the work appointed for us by our common Master and Lord, in peace with all men, however we may differ in external forms and usages.

During the months of January and February there was some very cold weather, so that a good ice crop was gathered. Owing to the prevalence of cold and wet weather, many in town and in the country were afflicted with temporary illness in the shape of bad colds and otherwise, which did not, however, prove fatal, we are thankful to say, in the case of any of our

members; and upon the whole, although at different times throughout the year quite a number suffered from attacks of illness, and some severely, the number of departures has been comparatively small.

In consequence of the heavy fall of rain, there was high water during the latter part of February and beginning of March, and the spring, with early garden work, was somewhat later than common, and sharp frosts in April injured the fruit crops in some measure. The grain harvest, however, proved very good. . . .

The annual Examinations were held in our Schools in the month of May, and bore witness to time well spent in the acquisition of useful learning. The Entertainments in Salem Female Academy afforded pleasing evidence of the same. ([Margin note:] This institution has lately received a valuable addition to its efficient corps of instructors by the arrival of Br. Wurreeschke, an ordained minister of our church, with his family from Germany. May his labors as a professor in the Academy and as a servant of the church among us be crowned with the Lord's blessing!)

The Centennial Anniversary of the congregation at Friedland afforded a pleasant and profitable occasion for brotherly intercourse and sympathy to the ministers, musicians and others of this congregation, on Saturday, the 29th, and Sunday, the 30th of May. The weather was delightful, so that the services, which were attended by a large concourse of people, could be held and enjoyed in the open air.

On Wednesday, June 30th, our Sunday School together with many of the parents and friends of the children enjoyed the annual Picnic in a shady grove and at a farm house near the Brushy Fork, old and young sharing the healthful pleasure and recreation of a summer day in the woods. The regular sessions of the School have been held with good attendance, as also the quarterly meetings of the Juvenile Missionary Society connected with it. A valuable addition was made to the library, and the new feature of orchestral accompaniment to the singing introduced with deserved success.

On various occasions during the year we were permitted to enjoy the services of visiting brethren, who ministered to us in holy things, and to whom we owe a debt of gratitude for their labor of love. On the evening of Friday, Nov. 12th, three members of the Society of Friends, who had been holding their Yearly

Meeting at New Garden, kept a meeting in our church. One of them, Stanley Pumphrey, who was from England and had been active in raising the funds donated by the Friends in England to our Foreign Mission Work ([Margin note:] to liquidate the debt), delivered a very earnest and evangelical discourse.

By the removal of the organ formerly used in the chapel of the Sisters' House to our chapel in this building, a valuable addition has been made to the service of song in our weekly prayer meetings. A still more valuable addition to these meetings would be the presence of more of our brethren and sisters, who would themselves surely not be losers thereby, which we affectionately commend to their consideration.

Salem Diary, 1875

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sun., Jan. 3. At 1 P.M. the Juvenile Missionary Society had its quarterly meeting. A number of the adult members of the congregation were present. The amount raised during the 3 years of the Society's existence is \$176 plus. At 7 P.M. Br. S. J. Blum, a teacher in Nazareth Hall, preached to a good audience, considering the darkness and bad weather.

Sun., Jan. 10. [A]t 7 P.M. the church was well filled for the closing service of the Week of Prayer. It was opened (as also the services during the week) by a verse sung by the choir, after which the following brethren took part in the exercises: Rt. Rev. E. A. de Schweinitz, M. E. Grunert, R. P. Lineback (in the pulpit), Revs. C. H. Wylie, J. F. Heitman, [blank] White, [blank] Franklin, S. J. Blum and A. L. Oerter on the platform. The meeting lasted until 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M., but was pleasant and edifying.

Mon., Jan. 18. The streets were lively with wagons hauling ice, which is about 2 in. thick. Some had been hauled previously.

Wed., Jan. 27. A large number of the Married Sisters called on Sr. O., this being her birthday, and brought very acceptable presents. They had also prepared a Fesper-table in the upper room of the new addition to the church building for 35 persons, some of whom, however, were prevented by sickness from attending. After spending the afternoon here very pleasantly, they returned to their homes, leaving the Pastor and his wife much gratified by this new token of affection.

Mon., Feb. 1. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the missionary prayer meeting. Only two brethren were in, Br. de S. and the sexton.

Wed., Feb. 17. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept a Lenten discourse (Passionsbetrachtung) in the chapel. The attendance was good.

Sun., Apr. 4. At 10 A.M. Br. O. read the Litany, and Rev. C. H. Wiley, district superintendent of American Bible Society for N.C., preached. The annual Bible collection was taken up, amounting to \$37.63.

Sat., May 29. Quite a number of Salemites, and all the brn. in the service, went to Friedland to celebrate the Centennial Anniversary of that congregation. A large number of people assembled, and the services were held in the open air, a stand having been erected under the large oaks near the house. It was a fine day, but very dusty.

Sat., June 12. A day of rain and storm. The lightning struck several times in the neighborhood of town, and killed a cow belonging to Br. Aug. Rogge.

Wed., June 30. The S. School and many parents and friends enjoyed a picnic at the old Nathl. Blum place on Brushy Fork.

Sun., July 4. At 10 A.M. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz kept the morning service alluding in his sermon to the day and state of the country, etc., in a very impressive manner.

Fri., July 16. At 8 P.M. there was a joint meeting of the Boards of Elders and Trustees to consider various matters with regard to the payment of church dues.

Sun., July 18. A warm day—97° in shade. Thunder storm in the evening. At 10 A.M. Br. Edwin G. Klose, Prof. in the Moravian College and Theological Seminary at Bethlehem, read the Litany and preached to a good congregation.

Sun., July 25. [A]t 7½ Br. Aug. Schultze, Prof. in the College at Bethlehem, who is on a visit here, preached in the German language. The attendance was good, and many enjoyed the service. The organ has been tuned, and the Sisters House organ has been removed to the chapel, an organ builder from the factory of Erben [of] N.Y., having done the work.

Mon., Aug. 2. This A.M. Br. Schultze returned to Bethlehem. Br. Klore left last Tuesday. Their visit has been a pleasant episode in the life of our somewhat secluded congregation.

Sun., Aug. 15. (Celebration of Aug. 13th.) At 2 P.M. Br. O. kept the Lovefeast, which was, as usual, only for communicant members. A few communicant members of other churches were present. The Psalm or ode was not used, the organist

having been under the impression that it was not used last year. This was the case 2 years ago, but last year Br. O. thinks it *was* used.

Mon., Sept. 6. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the pastor kept the monthly missionary prayer meeting. The attendance was as usual. The Sisters' House organ, which has been put up in the Chapel, was used for the first time.

Fri., Sept. 17. At 7 P.M. Br. E. A. de S. kept the annual meeting of the Salem Home Mission Society. A good number of sisters, but few brn., were present. Br. J. B. Lineback, the Home Missionary at Mt. Bethel, Va., is to move to Bethabara, and divide the time between that congregation and Mt. B.

Sun., Sept. 19. At 7 P.M. Bishop E. A. de Schweinitz ordained the brn. Adolphus Lichtenthaeler and James Benj. Lineback presbyters. The attendance was large and the service solemn.

Wed., Oct. 20. There has been quite a stir in town today, occasioned by the arrival of a Circus Menagerie, which exhibited in the woods back of Winston. Thousands of people came from all the country around.

Fri., Nov. 12. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Stanley Pumphrey, a member of the Society of Friends, from England, who has been attending the Yearly Meeting at New Garden, preached an excellent discourse to quite a good congregation. He was accompanied by two other Friends, [blank] Haines from Pa. and [blank] of this State, the former of whom read a chapter (John 4:1-26) at the opening of the service, and the latter offered prayer.

Mon., Nov. 15. At 7 P.M. there was a joint meeting of the Boards of Elders and Trustees to appoint a successor to Sr. Anna Marg. Blum, deceased, as Superintendent of the Sisters' House.

Sun., Dec. 19. [T]he evening service . . . was opened by a choir piece, as also on last Sunday, and at the close the choir with the pupils of S.F.A. sang "Morning Star," etc.

Fri., Dec. 24. (Xmas Eve.) At 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. E. A. de S. kept the Children's Lovefeast, at which there was a large attendance, and at 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the general Lovefeast, also well attended. About 160 tickets had been sold.

Sat., Dec. 25. (Xmas Day). In the evening the Sunday School performed a Cantata, "Jesus, the Friend of Sinners."

Fri., Dec. 31. Between the services there was a Fair in the Boys' School House for the benefit of the Literary Society.

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1875

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Jan. 3. At 2 P.M. Br E. A. de S. preached to a good congregation. S.S. again under Sr. Maria Crist's superintendence.

Sun., Feb. 28. At 2 P.M. preaching. Then held a Congregation Council, in order to regulate the lighting of and making fire in church. The brethren agreed to take their turns.

Sun., Mar. 28. Easter. At 9 A.M. prayed Easter Morning Litany, then read Acts of the Resurrection and preach on St. John 11:25. Very large congregation. A colored band was in attendance, and blew all the tunes in Easter Morning Litany. Two women, Emily Banner (widow) and Caroline Chaffin, attend instruction.

Sun., Apr. 25. [A]fter address, adult baptism of Elvira Meinung, Emily Banner, and Carolina Chaffin, and reception on certificate from Methodist Episcopal Church South at Winston of Dorcas Stafford. With these persons, [I] had had repeated interviews on the subject, and imparted instruction. They all seemed to be very sincere, professing to have found peace in believing. A very large congregation was present. And there was a feeling of solemnity, very perceptible. After the first meeting, the Holy Communion was celebrated. A goodly number partook; nearly all our communicant members were present. There were likewise many spectators, and 4 white sisters communed with us. A new bell has been procured for the church, which was used for the first time this day and for which we thanked the Lord in the opening prayer. May the services of this day have made an abiding impression on all who participated. At night, the Elder Lewis Hege held prayer meeting.

Sun., May 23. At 8 P.M. I attended the meeting in colored church. James Transou of the Zion Methodist Church opened it with singing and prayer. Br. Lewis Hege then preached from St. John 10:1, and after prayer by Br. Hege, James Transou exhorted, and I closed with benediction. Attendance small.

On Fri., May 21. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the close of the Colored School on other side of Creek took place in the church. A large attendance both of colored and whites. The examination of the classes showed that Miss Nelson, the teacher, had taken great

pains in instructing her scholars. I said a few words at the close, and then the Doxology was sung.

Wed., June 23. A colored preacher preached at night.

Sun., July 4. At 2 P.M. preaching in reference to the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Ps. 16:6

Thurs., July 15. At 2 P.M. funeral Stella Elisabeth, daughter of Harris and Sr. Dorcas Stafford, aged 8 years and 17 days. The child died of consumption and had been baptized in the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which the mother formerly belonged. After services at the house, drove in my carriage, taking the mother and her neighbor with us to the graveyard. Heat very great—large attendance for a weekday. The colored band blew for the first time at the funeral.

Thurs., Aug. 19. Visited Br. Lewis Hege (who is sick, found him improving) and at the houses of some of our colored members in Winston.

October. My official duties, which took me away from Salem every Sunday whilst engaged in visiting the congregations, prevented me from preaching in the colored church. *Sun., Oct. 17.* Br. Parm. Linebach preached at 2 P.M. Lewis Hege continues sick.

November. Official engagements prevented me from holding meetings this month till *Sun., Nov. 21*, when there was meeting at 2 P.M.

Sun., Dec. 12. Rev. Gates, colored Methodist, preached funeral at 2 P.M. of one of his members.

Sun., Dec. 26. At 7 P.M. Christmas meeting and lovefeast with candles for S. School. Br. Wurreeschke made an address. Christmas tree.

Salem Congregation Council, 1875
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., May 4.

Considerable debate ensued about delinquent church members and likewise about the amount to be exacted of those residing out of town, or even at a greater distance. It seemed to be the opinion of Council that the subject was entirely in the control of the Board of Trustees. The following Resolution was offered and adopted.

“Resolved that the Board of Trustees of Salem Cong. be authorized to compromise old dues from members on best

terms, and further be allowed to make such deductions from dues owing by distant members as they deem proper."

It was stated that much dissatisfaction prevailed among the church members that the south side of the church, which after the church was repaired was in Congn. meeting to stay set apart for females, should now be entirely monopolized by young men, mostly from Winston, whose conduct oft times proved annoying. Several suggestions were made, some looking to more rigid exercise of authority by the sextons, which elicited a warm debate, the sextons expressing their difficulties and annoyances.

Council adjourned without any action on the subject.

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1875

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Wed., Jan. 27.

An application for aid to the S. School, having been referred to this Board by the Board of Trustees, was unanimously commended to their liberality, as the S.S. is a branch of the work of the church, and should be supported by it.

Wed., Feb. 10.

The meeting was called for the purpose of taking into consideration the fact that the Brn. Const. A. Hege, and F. Meller were acting as agents for Lotteries (alias Gift Associations) and that the brn. L. V. and E. T. Blum, editors of the *People's Press*, have been advertising Lotteries in their paper. The following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted.

Whereas, the attention of the Board of Elders has been drawn to the fact that members of our Congn. are engaged in the sale of Lottery tickets, and in encouraging Lottery schemes; and

Whereas, Sec. 19 of the Principles and Discipline of Salem Congn. plainly forbid the same; therefore

Resolved: 1) that the members concerned be notified to discontinue their objectionable proceedings.

Resolved: 2) that Br. C. A. Hege be requested to return whatever funds he has not yet transmitted to the parties who advanced them.

Wed., Mar. 17.

1. The brn. named in the last minutes were notified of the action of Board, and will do as required.

Fri., Aug. 6.

1. The Children's Festival will be kept on Sunday, 22nd. Children attending our Schools who do not belong to the Congn. may come to the meetings, if tickets are procured for them. Children from our Country Congns. shall be admitted free. *Resident* members of Country Congns. should always pay for Lovefeast tickets. Visitors not.

Tues., Sept. 7.

2. John Vogler Jr. and Henry Hughes, having again been intoxicated, will now be put on their good behavior for 3 mos. as a term of probation, as Board does not wish to adopt extreme measures if it can be avoided. Louis Butner, who has also been drinking, must be admonished.

Wed., Oct. 13.

1. Br. Hy. Hughes, continuing to drink to intoxication, must be excluded. Br. Jas. Reich, who has again been intoxicated, will be put on 3 mos. probation.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1875

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Jan. 18. All present.

Treasurer reported having sent \$2,510 to the Fidelity Co. as directed last meeting and had received their certificate for a 1st class mortgage on a lot, corner of Walnut and Beach Streets, Philada., for \$2,500.00, charges and commissions \$13.50, express charges \$6.70.

At an informal meeting in the Chairman's office a few nights ago Treasr. was directed to pay over \$1,500.00 to Wachovia Sustn., which has been done, and now there is left unpaid of the \$10,000.00 but \$2,500.00.

Board agrees that the Treasr. shall straighten certain streets in Liberia as shown on the plot by taking off some on one side of the lot sold to Peter Stockton, colored, and giving him the same amount on the other side of his lot, for which he

is willing. His deed will be taken up and a new one given him after the alteration. When his lot was sold to him there had been no attention paid to the streets as laid out above.

The arbitrator on behalf of this Board, Dr. Shaffner, notifies the Board that the matter at issue with the Winston Board of Commissioners has at last been amicably adjusted. For particulars see paper on file, which agrees to the payment of \$50.00 for the timber on the condemned street and is signed by the Mayor and Commissioners of Winston as also by Dr. Shaffner, and thereupon Board agrees that the sale of lots in Winston be now resumed on the same terms as heretofore. Quite a number have applied for lots and will now be attended to as speedily as possible.

Some discussion next took place on the manner of charging interests and rents on our books, as also about the large amount of labour devolving upon the Treasr. in consequence of the large amount of sales of land and lots.

Mon., Jan. 25. All present except Bro. A. F. Pfohl.

The street west of the lots in Winston sold to Thos. Leak, Jas. Crews and others was named Poplar, as it may some day be made a continuation of Poplar St. of Salem.

At a meeting of the Salem Poor Fund Society on Sunday last the wish was expressed that this Board would allow 6% interest on the capital of \$3,000.00 in our hands. Board considers and reasons thus: that whilst the Board has lost much of their own funds, they have held this safe and harmless for the Society, and does not feel a willingness to increase the rate of interest, now 5%.

Bro. James T. Leinbach as Superintendent of the Salem Congn. Sunday School would be very glad if the Board would give them a donation to aid them in improving their Library. The School being a church or cong. Sch. under charge of the Pastor, Board feels a willingness to comply, provided they have the right or if it would be a legitimate expenditure and not cause any trouble hereafter as a precedent. Will inform themselves and act accordingly.

The subject spoken of last meeting as to the labour of the Treasr. office was again spoken of, and the feeling of the Board was unanimous that the work of the office had increased far beyond what had been anticipated, and that the present salary was not in proportion to the labour imposed. They therefore

raised the salary of the Secy. and Treasr. to \$600.00 per year to date from the 1st of January 1875.

Mon., Feb. 1. All present.

The Treasr. had since last meeting found a sketch made by Bro. Pfohl of the lots near the Cemetery whereon the street fronting the Cemetery gates is called Oak Street and the one halfway between the Cemetery and Belews Cr. St. is named Wood St.

Board directs \$2,500.00 to be forwarded to the Fidelity Insurance Trust & Safe Deposit Company of Philadelphia, Pa., for investment in a first class mortgage.

A communication from the Board of Elders on the subject of making the donation to the Sunday School, spoken of last meeting, was received and read, asking that the Board should make such donation. Board makes a donation of \$75.00, which Treasr. will pay Bro. J. T. Leinbach, Suptd.

Mon., Feb. 8. Brn. Blum and Leinbach absent.

The unequal width of First Street between Salem and Winston east of Main was discussed and Treasr. directed to survey and locate it the same course and width, 40 ft., as first intended and started at Main St.

It appears that in consequence of the scattering manner in which lots are selected and sold several numbers of lots have been duplicated in Winston, but as the deeds distinctly specify between and on what streets lots are located, no difficulties can arise and it will be left so.

Mon., Feb. 15. All present.

Some colored people over in Liberia want building dirt. If they can find it in the bottom [they] can have it for nothing, but if taken from the up-land out toward the Shepherd place [they] must pay usual price, 25 cents for 2-horse load.

The settlement of the Emanuel Reich property was referred to, and the Treasr. requested to speak to the heirs about it.

Treasr. submitted the yearly statement of accounts and the balance sheet of close of books to April 30, 1874, which shows as usual a deficiency amounting to \$846.24. Board directs him to cancel this deficiency by charging the same to Winston Lot Fund.

Mon., Feb. 22. Bro. A. F. Fogle absent.

Treasr. reported the result of an interview with the heirs of Eml. Reich. They want to know at what price Board will sell to them the land around the old home. Board answers \$30.00 per acre, but think they will not be able to get for the premises what the claim is in this office and that they had better at once surrender the property. The Board now virtually owns the property, and if it is to be disposed of to any other person the claim here must be paid.

John Miller asks whether he can buy any land or lots on the site of the old Powder House. This location has never yet been surveyed into lots, as it would bring up the question of extending a street north from the old Henry Blum place, and the Board is not prepared to act on that now.

Treasr. reported having settled up with S. Ed. Butner the note we held. Also that he had paid over to J. T. Leinbach, Treasr. of Wach. Sustn., \$2,500.00, which now completes the whole payment of the \$10,000.00 due them.

Mon., Mar. 8. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

In regard to the Emanuel Reich property, the Chairman will obtain information as to our legal tenure of the property, whether under the lease the property is now legally ours, and will also speak to the heirs.

The "Little Missionary," a church publication for children, has been heretofore ordered and paid for by Bro. Pfohl for filing away in the Archives, and can be so continued.

A letter from Dr. Wheeler in the State Legislature from this county relating to the location of a branch of the State Insane Asylum was read, but no action taken thereon.

The yearly close of accts. and the balance sheet of the Single Sisters Diacony was submitted by the Treasr. Board directs the accts. of Boner & Crist to be charged to Profit and Loss.

Some conversation ensued as to the propriety of the Board making a donation to the building of a new Moravian Church about 2 1/2 miles below Town, but Board thinks that as long as our financial condition is such that we fail to meet our own annual expenses, we ought not to make any such donation.

Mon., Mar. 15. Bros. J. T. Leinbach and A. F. Pfohl absent.

Regarding the Eml. Reich property, Chrmn. reported that he had obtained the information he was to seek, and that there

was no doubt as to this Board having the legal right now to said property. Board requests Chrmn. to so notify the heirs, and also that the rents on the property from the time of Eml. Reich's death must be paid to this Board. The persons renting it to be so notified likewise.

Mon., Mar. 29. Brn. Blum and Leinbach absent.

Treasr. submitted correspondence with the Fidelity Co. giving a statement of account and the terms of the last mortgage effected on property located at 11th and Berks Sts., Philadelphia, for \$2,500.00, interest payable 1st Jan. and July annually.

Chrmn. reports that the heirs of Emanuel Reich now relinquish fully all claim to the property, and Treasr. will notify Jos. Hall and Wm. Gibbins, who are renters, that all rents accruing since Eml. Reich's death must be paid into this office.

Mon., Apr. 5. All present.

Messrs. Jos. Hall and Wm. Gibbins, renters of the Eml. Reich property, seem to disagree about the amount of land each is to cultivate. Board thinks they must settle that between themselves.

Bro. J. G. Sides says that a portion of the meadow surveyed for him on the west (east?) side of Main St. between the Race and the Creek is subject to overflow during high water, the current sweeping over it so as not to allow fences to stand, and therefore wants to drop off that corner where Tar River Branch enters the Creek. Board does not exact pay for what he does not get or cannot use, and Treasr. can alter the lines, provided it is not reduced below 2 acres thereby.

Treasr. is directed to send \$3,000.00 to the Fidelity Co. of Phila. to be invested in first class mortgage.

Wed., Apr. 7.

The accounts and arrearages on our books were next taken up and a list of such as were considered entirely worthless. The Treasr. was directed to balance by transfer to Desperate Debts.

Those persons (auswertige) living out of Town and never pay anything, the Treasr. is to speak with and ascertain what sort of an arrangement could be made that would be satisfactory. Those persons who do not pay in Town to be asked to give notes, etc.

Mon., Apr. 19. All present.

Edward Ackerman, on whom a statement of account had been rendered by the Treasr., makes a proposition that having been for years only a birth-right member and not a communicant, he is willing to pay up all that was charged for his wife, all ground rent, wood, etc., and what is charged for himself after 1871 when he was confirmed, but not his individual account and the interest. Board considered the subject maturely, and as the opinion seems to be that where persons are only birth-right members, we have no right to demand pay, Board accepts Bro. Ackerman's offer and Treasr. will so settle with him.

Mon., Apr. 26. All present.

The Town Commissioners wish the Stone Quarry reserved until a new Board of Commis. are elected next month, and will recommend to the new Board to make the purchase.

Bro. Theodore F. Keehln has paid to the Treasr. \$112.85 on his account by a check on the Board of Town Commis.

As we have not received any notice yet of the Fidelity Co., Phila., that they had made the investment of \$3,000.00 sent them in a mortgage, and as a new bond appears upon the market issued by the District of Columbia bearing interest at 3.65%, the payment of which principal and interest the Government of the U.S. guarantees, and which are now quoted at \$70 to \$75, the Treasr. is instructed to write to the Fidelity Co. to change the order and instead of investing in a mortgage to buy the 3.65 bonds.

It is the feeling of the Board and now so expressed that for the present *we do not sell any more woodland by the acre.*

Treasr. stated that before our next regular meeting the present fiscal year would expire, and that as the transactions passing through his hands during the time had been so unusually and unprecedentedly large, far in excess of previous years, he would request the examination of his books and vouchers. The Chrmn. on motion appointed Brn. Pfohl and Leinbach a committee to do so.

Mon., May 3. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

Treasr. reported that he had received a letter from the Fidelity Co. on the same evening of our last meeting stating that they had effected the loan of the \$3,000.00 on 1st class mortgage.

Bro. J. T. Leinbach of the committee appointed last meeting in answer to the request of the Treasurer to have his books and vouchers audited to date made his report, which the Board accepted as satisfactory.

Treasr. submitted a report from the Forester, Bro. L. Brietz. The cash received by him during the year was \$98.63, of which nearly $\frac{2}{3}$ was for the previous year. As the amount of land around Salem yet belonging to the Cong. has been so much reduced by sales, Board thinks that the amount of salary heretofore paid to the Forester is larger than the sales of wood will hereafter warrant, and thinks that a commission or percentage should hereafter be paid to Mr. Brietz, and he will be spoken to on the subject.

Mon., May 10. All present.

Being the first meeting since Congregation Council in which the Brethren E. T. Blum and Augustus F. Pfohl were re-elected members of the Board for 3 years from May 4, 1875, the Board re-organized by electing Dr. J. W. Hunter as Chairman and E. A. Vogler Secy. and Treasr.

Treasr. asks whether he is to count interest on Bro. Fogle's various land and lot purchases, as no note had been given. Board re-affirms as the rule in all cases, and instructs that it be followed unless especially ordered otherwise: $\frac{1}{3}$ cash and note and interest on remainder from time of survey on getting possession.

Bro. Namen Shore, who has regularly paid his church dues when due, is now very sick, and Board ordered Treasr. to give him his present quarter accounts fully receipted by order of the Board.

The Salem Town Commissioners ask what price Board will demand for the Stone Quarry and land with it west of Bro. E. W. Leinbach's orchard with the road leading thereto. Board fixed price at \$30.00 per acre.

Treasr. submitted a long list of names that he found entered on the list given him by the Pastor as members of the Cong., many of who are scattered over distant States. Board thinks that each such person who desires to remain attached to the Cong. should so notify and pay \$1.00 per year.

Mon., May 17. Brn. Leinbach and Pfohl absent.

In reference to a circular to be sent to distant members and exacting \$1.00 annually, it was thought best to defer this

matter to a joint meeting of Elders and Trustees, it apparently belonging to the Pastor's duty.

Mon., May 24. Bro. Pfohl absent.

Bro. J. T. Leinbach as Treasr. of Wach. Sustn. applied for a temporary loan of \$1,000.00 for Sustentation, and Board directed Treasr. to let him have it.

Board also directed Treasr. to remit \$4,000.00 to the Fidelity Co., Phila., and request them to purchase \$5,000.00 of the 3.65% Dist. of Columbia bonds which are guaranteed by the U.S. Government, and therefore considered by Board as a good and safe investment. If registered and coupon bonds both are to be had, Board prefers the registered bonds.

Treasr. was directed to send our transit north and have it put in good and thorough repair.

The Town Commissioners are willing to purchase the Stone Quarry and Road if Board will wait for payment until the taxes for this year are collected, for which Board agrees.

Mon., June 7. Bro. H. W. Fries absent.

Sr. Maria Transou (Petersen) served some years as Pfliegerin in the Sisters House, hence according to usage is exempt from payment of church dues.

Bro. Thos. J. Boner expresses himself as willing but actually unable to pay his church dues, still desirous of remaining a member.

Lighting of the church was spoken of, and the habit of burning the lights very low until service commences was disapproved, and the sexton thro Bro. Spach requested to have the church well lighted all the time.

In regard to the wish expressed by the Town Commissioners that this Board should make a better pavement along the Widows House, Board is not willing to take any steps, as there are very many pavements in town in much worse fix.

Mon., June 14. Bro. H. W. Fries absent.

A communication from the Board of Elders asking that an organ builder, now in Raleigh from New York, should be written to and come up here and adjust some things at our Church organ, and repair the Sisters House organ to be used in our Chapel. Board agrees. Bro. Spach was requested to have a lock put on the door of the Church organ to prevent persons passing through and leaving the door open.

Sat., June 26. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

As to the fee to be paid when strangers are permitted to bury on our Graveyard, some discussion took place. \$10.00 is now charged and \$5.00 to be refunded on furnishing a tombstone. Board decides that the other \$5.00 is to be retained for the ground and keeping up of the Graveyard, and the gravedigger charges the party burying must arrange with him. Board has no responsibility to pay him that.

A coloured Presbyterian minister, T. J. Williams, asks the best terms he can secure lot No. [blank], Winston. He wishes to pay only a part now in cash. Board agrees to $\frac{1}{3}$ cash and time on the balance.

A bill of McAllister in Phila. \$37.00 for repairing transit was presented and ordered to be paid.

Mon., July 12. Bro. J. T. Leinbach absent.

A letter was read written to Bro. E. W. Leinbach by the organ builder stating that he could not come up from Raleigh, but that they would be in Richmond putting up an organ next week, and if desired would send a competent workman to Salem to do the work wanted here. The charges would be \$10.00 per day and all expenses from time of leaving Richmond, back to Richmond. Board concluded it was the best that could be done and that Bro. Leinbach might write to them to send their man.

The Mayor of Winston asked for a map of their Town. Board is willing that the Secy. shall make one for them, as they ought to have one, and he can charge therefor what he thinks proper.

Treasr. next submitted the annual close of accounts to April 30, 1875, showing this past year there was an excess of receipts of \$239.53. The following disposition of balances was then made. The credit on School Accts. of \$89.84 and the credit on accts. current of Education Fund are to be charged with the schooling of such as are not able to pay until said credits are absorbed. The \$1,000.00 still charged to Wachovia Sustentation is to be divided between Winston Town Lot, and Salem Town Lot and Salem Land Funds—one-half to the Winston Lot Fund and one-fourth to each of the other two. There is a credit on Water Fund of \$36.77, against which hereafter the Water Tax paid is to be charged until said credit is absorbed.

The \$15.00 credit on account of Graveyard Fund is to be credit on Salem Graveyard Acct. and the balance due on Salem

Graveyard to be charged to Stock Acct., and the excess of receipts less the Profit and Loss debit to likewise be placed to Stock Account.

Fri., July 16. Joint meeting Board of Elders and Board of Trustees.

Pursuant to previous resolution a joint meeting of the above 2 Boards was held. Present from Board of Elders Brn. Oerter, Grunert, and C. T. Pfohl. From Board of Trustees Brn. Hunter, Fries, Blum, Pfohl, and Spach. Dr. Hunter was elected Chrmn. and E. A. Vogler requested to act as Secy.

The following points were brought forward as subjects for discussion.

What shall be done to cause more prompt payment of Congregation Accounts?

What shall be done where members owe large and long-standing accounts and don't make any payments or settlements?

Shall a less rate of charges be made for those who live out of Town?

Shall a fix'd annual payment be demanded from such persons as live at a distance entirely out of reach of church privileges and yet wish to remain members?

Shall birth-right members be exempt from paying dues?

The discussion that followed took a wide range on the points named above, but there was no definite action taken on either, as the members of the Board of Elders desired to take them into consideration. All present, however, seemed to be of the opinion that birth-right members ought to be required to pay a fixed amount, as they have all the Church benefits and privileges except Communion, and that if any such then refuse to pay, their names should be dropped entirely and no privileges claimed or granted more than strangers.

Also that schooling should be considered as separate from other congregation charges, and if persons do not pay schooling [they] could be told that they could no longer send their children.

Sat., July 31. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

The bill for organ repairs \$85.70 due Hy. Erben & Co., New York, was presented and ordered to be paid.

Application was made by Lewis Hege, one of the Elders of the Colored Congregation here, for help to fix up their

Graveyard. The New Negro Graveyard Account on our books has a credit, but the Board thinks that there have been persons buried there for which no payment has been made, and that the matter should be enquired into whether persons not members have been buried and if so whether pay has been received and by whom. The price for a grave is now \$2.50. It used to be more but after the War was reduced. As the colored population has lately increased so much around Salem and Winston and no other Graveyard for them, it is a question whether rates should not be advanced.

Tues., Aug. 17. Brn. Pfohl and Blum absent.

A communication from the Board of Elders as also a letter from the Pastor on the subject of dealing with members who are in arrears, counselling liberality toward them, were read.

Treasr. reported that the July 31 quarterly accts. were ready for collection, but that he had postponed collections until he could report to the Board what seemed to him to be an unjust inequality in the mode of charging Single Brn. and Single Sisters. Now Single Sisters are charged full rates as soon as they are communicants and in the Sisters Choir, whilst Single Brethren are not so charged before they are 21 years of age.

Board thinks that this as well as the rate now charged for Married Sisters, whose husbands are not members but when full church privileges, schooling, etc., are accorded to the family by the mother's membership, should be altered, and directed the Treasr. to go on and collect as usual, and before another quarter comes around Board will take time to carefully revise the rates, etc.

It was, however, at once determined upon that we will exact one dollar per year from all such members as live out of reach of church privileges here and yet desire to keep up their connection and membership with this Cong., and that the Pastor be requested to correspond with them and so inform them.

Bro. J. T. Leinbach, Treasr. of Wachovia Sustn., has repaid the \$1,000.00 loan made him some time ago, and now wishes to know what rate of interest he shall pay thereon for the time he had it. Board answered 3 per cent, as we have not made any investments during the time, and the money would have remained in Bank at that rate.

Bro. Spach reported that he had delivered to Bro. W. H. Hall the complaints made about the Lovefeast cakes baked by him, and Bro. Hall declines to bake any more for the present.

Mon., Sept. 6. The Brn. A. F. Pfohl and J. T. Leinbach absent.

The Town Commissioners notify this Board that they think of running a street in front of Bro. Levin Brietz's north and south to intersect the new Paper Mill Street, and ask the consent of this Board, which is freely given, as the Board thinks it will not only make a good road, but will be likely to put lots in that locality into better shape.

A Mr. Cornell, recent purchaser of Sunny Side, E. A. Vogler's former plantation, asks to buy the 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land in fence to the gate still belonging to this office.

Treasr. reported having made a little office sign to hang out of the window, cost 35 cents.

Fri., Sept. 24.

All present. The regular meeting on Monday had been postponed until this evening on account of an Entertainment by children from the Orphan Asylum given in the Church.

A donation is asked for from the Charity Fund to aid in covering Lucy Gates [Holt's] house. It is expected that \$20.00 will be required, and some Sisters in Town are now circulating a subscription for that purpose. Board is willing to help to make up what the said subscription may lack of \$20.00, provided it not exceed \$10.00.

Mon., Oct. 4. All present.

The Commissioners of the Town of Winston ask to be allowed to retain \$50.00 due by them and offer note and interest, claiming they need all the money they have for street work. Board thinks we have no right to make such loan, but are willing that the Commissioners have time to pay the \$50 until the wood on 4th St., for which the amount is due, is to be realized.

Board next consulted about the price for lots in Winston. It is determined to run two streets from 5th Street southward to the Fries Plank Road. The first one to be 900 feet west of Poplar Street and to be 50 ft wide, and 200 feet further west another street to be 60 feet wide. ([Margin note:] Spring and Broad Streets ordered.) The Treasr. stated that he had in conversation with Mr. Tuck named \$160.00 as the probable

price of lots, but the Board thinks that the lots at the junction or crossing of 4th and the proposed 2 new streets will be very prettily located and a higher price should be obtained. They now determine therefore that hereafter *all corner lots shall be \$10.00 per M.* [1,000 sq. ft.]. As Mr. Tuck is the first applicant in that locality and wants 4 lots, Board is willing to favour him, and if he takes 4 lying together and only one a corner lot he may have the 4 at \$8.00 per M., but if more are to be corner lots, must pay \$10.00 per M. for the corner ones.

Fears are entertained that the impure and stagnant water in the brick-holes along our creek bottom might be a cause of fever in town, and the Chrmn. with some of the Board will go and examine and have said holes filled up.

The ashes from the Church furnace, Mr. Saml. Fogle is to take and scatter in the Graveyard.

Mon., Oct. 25. All present.

The subject of church accounts was next taken up and the following changes ordered. The desire is not to increase but to equalize the rates charged. Heretofore Single Brn. are not charged before 21 years of age, yet Single Srs. are charged from 18. The latter to be changed to 21. Birth-right members, such as were born and baptized in the Church but never confirmed, will hereafter be charged full rates, excepting communion charges. Married Sisters whose husbands are not members but where the wife's membership carries church privileges and advantages to the family will be charged $\frac{1}{2}$ of a Married Couples rates. Auswertige, such as live at a distance to be unable to enjoy full church going, to be charged only $\frac{1}{2}$ rates.

Mon., Nov. 8. Bro. Blum absent.

The Treasr. read a letter written to Lawyer Mast of Winston in reference to a debt owing to the old Salem Factory Co. by E. S. Watson in Va., and stated that he has found the debt on the old books of the Co., but that there was no one now to his knowledge authorized to act in the matter unless Mr. Thos. J. Wilson, who was trustee under the deed of trust, still had authority, and that more than 30 years had expired since the Co. was incorporated. Board thinks that the Treasr. should see Mr. Wilson and Mr. Mast further on the subject.

Mr. William Barrow offers to open the new street laid out from the Paper Mill Road to 5th St., Winston, by grubbing up

all trees in the centre of the road for the width of 18 feet and cutting out the remainder of the 60 feet, filling up stump holes and rolling stumps out of the street for the wood thereon as compensation. Board believes his terms are as good as can be had and is willing he shall do it.

Bro. J. T. Leinbach reports that \$8.75 had been raised by the subscription for Lucy Holt's house and asked that the remaining \$11.25 be now donated out of the Charity Fund, being \$1.25 more than was ordered previously, which was agreed to.

The Literary Society asks leave to have a supper in the Boys School House between the meetings on New Year's night, which was agreed to on condition that Rev. R. P. Leinbach, Principal of the School, has no objection.

Treasr. reports that he has experienced trouble in surveying in the west of Winston and that he and others attribute it to probable deposits of iron in the ground. Diagrams of the locality have been made and sent to some scientific men. Board thinks that until further researches and developments are made, sale of lots in that locality be suspended.

Treasr. further reports that he has about \$6,000.00 now at disposal for investments and submitted a table of present market rates. Board after careful consideration directs him to purchase \$5,000.00 of new United States 5% 1881 bonds, gold interest and registered.

Mon., Nov. 15. Joint meeting of Board of Elders and Trustees.

Present Rev. A. L. Oerter, Chrmn., and Brn. Grunert, E. W. Leinbach, C. T. Pfohl, and Fulkerson on part of Board of Elders, and Brn. Hunter, Chrmn., and Brn. Fries, Leinbach, Blum, and Spach of Board of Trustees.

Bro. Oerter was chosen chairman. Bro. Grunert explained the object of this joint meeting. The death of Sr. Nancy Blum caused a vacancy of Single Sisters Sick Nurse, which position was filled heretofore by a meeting of both Boards. See minutes Oct. 20, 1870. The matter was discussed whether the person filling such position was expected to attend personally to the nursing of the sick. After some considerable debate it was *resolved* that we try to find a suitable person for the position of superintendent in the Sisters House who should live in the front sick room, have her room free of rent, see to it that Sisters when sick and desiring to occupy the sick room have competent care and nursing, take care of the House and

property, and generally superintend the affairs of the House, and the Board of Trustees to agree upon the compensation to be made. The motion was next made, seconded, and carried that Dr. Hunter, Chrmn. of Board of Trustees, tender the position to Sr. E. Kremer, and in case that she should decline, that the Chrmn. of the Board of Elders, Bro. Oerter, and Chrmn. of Board of Trustees, Bro. Hunter, consult together and fill the place without further reference to Boards.

After adjournment of joint meeting Bro. E. W. Leinbach remained and stated to the Board of Trustees that the violoncello belonging to the church had been broken in going to the Friedland centennial, and that he now was offered a good one at a reasonable price. Board answers that if he thinks it necessary to purchase one again, and the one offered was a good one, to buy it.

Mon., Nov. 22. Absent the Brn. Pfohl and Blum.

The new streets recently laid out to the west of Winston and running from 5th St. southward to the old Fries Plank Road were named as follows. The 60 foot street will be called Broad Street from 5th St., Winston, to the Paper Mill Road in Salem. The 50 ft. street Spring Street, and the 40 ft. street running westwardly from Poplar St. to be called Four and a half Street, being midway between 4th and 5th Sts. Broad Street going northward from Bro. Brietz's, after crossing New Shallowford Street, would strike the house and lot now owned by John Collins. Said Collins is willing to surrender his lot and remove his buildings if Board will give him another lot. Board after deliberation concludes to do so, being very anxious to have Broad Street opened all the way, as it will open to sale a number of fine lots and will make a well-located street and on good ground. Some of the Board will go to view the locality, also north of High and west of Poplar Streets, where a number of lots can be laid out.

Board thinks the Treasr. had as well proceed and sell lots again, as it is thought that the deposits of iron ore, which are evidently in the ground at the head of the springs in Winston and disturb the needle of the compass, are hardly of sufficient volume or quantity to enhance the value of the lots.

The Chairman reported that Sr. Eliza Kremer declines the position tendered to her in the Sisters House, but that he and Bro. Oerter had concluded to tender the position to Sister

Lisetta Brietz, and that he had done so and that Sr. Brietz had agreed to accept and make a trial of it.

Sun., Dec. 5. All present.

Sister Eliza Starr has taken the position of Sick-Nurse in the Sisters House, has paid up her room rent, and given up her room, and now moves into the front sick room.

The Treasr. in corresponding with the Fidelity Co. in Phila. will ascertain when the different mortgages we hold in Philadelphia are dated and due and payable.

The Hope Graveyard has a credit on our books, and Bro. Christian Sides presents a bill of \$3.00 for repairs to said Graveyard fence, which is ordered to be paid.

Bro. Edward Spach owes a note of long standing without any interest having been paid thereon. As Bro. Spach expresses his willingness to pay it in brick some time before long, the Treasr. is instructed to receive brick for the debt whenever he can get them.

It frequently occurs that Single Sisters are absent from home teaching school, etc., when the semi-annual collection is made, and they seem to expect to be excused from paying on account of absence. Board thinks this not right and directs full payment, unless moved off permanently.

Sun., Dec. 19. Bro. E. T. Blum absent.

A bill was presented from E. W. Leinbach for a violoncello, directed to be bought last meeting, and ordered to be paid. Also a bill of \$14.00 by Lewis Hege, colored, for cleaning up the Negro Graveyard. He had received \$4.50 for 2 graves, and balance \$9.50 was ordered to be paid. He agreed hereafter to attend to said Graveyard, keep it in order, and see that graves are properly dug, etc., for the sum of \$5.00 for year, and Board accepts his proposition.

Provincial Financial Board, 1875
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Thurs., Jan. 21. Br. Rights absent.

1. Br. E. Greider's application . . . came up as unfinished business. Altho' the manner of proceeding was unusual and objectionable on account of the precedent which might be thereby established, yet in view of the fact that by the

alteration the Bethania carriage has become a much more useful and convenient conveyance, the \$40 asked for were granted.

2. The Trustees of Salem Congr. having made another payment of \$1,500, Board ordered the investment of this sum in Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co. consolidated 6% loan of 1884, which can be bought at about par, according to the latest quotations. \$7,500 have been paid by Trustees of Salem Cong.

Tues., Feb. 23. Br. Rights absent.

1. The Trustees of Salem Congr. have paid in the sum of \$2,500, the balance due on the \$10,000. By this payment the whole sum of \$10,000, which Salem Congregation agreed to pay to Sustentation Diacy. in lieu of annual contributions, has been discharged in full.

2. The Treasurer has received the sum of \$495.50, a final dividend of the estate of E. A. Vogler and E. A. Vogler & Co.

3. Board ordered the investment of \$2,500 and \$495.50, say \$3,000, in U.S. Bonds of 1867 as the safest of all public securities.

Thurs., May 20. Br. C. L. Rights absent.

1. The investment ordered by Board (see §3 [Feb. 23]) has been made at a cost of premium \$490.63 and expenses \$18.87; the \$3,000 hence only realized \$2,500.

2. Treasurer stated that just at this time when he needs about \$1,000 for current expenses, he happens to have no funds on hand. Board authorized a temporary loan to supply the deficiency.

Wed., June 9. Br. Rights absent.

1. The Northern Pacific R.Rd. is about to be sold, and there seems to be some chance of securing a part at least of the amount of first mortgage bonds by locating land. As Br. Henry W. Fries is going North to investigate the whole business on his own account, he was empowered and requested by the Board to do with the Sustent. bonds as he would with his own.

Wed., July 28. Brn. Rights and Grunert absent.

1. The N. Pacific R.Rd. will be sold in August. The 1st mortgage bondholders have made arrangements to buy in

the stock and thus gain control of the road, under certain conditions. There is some prospect of securing a part of the bonds in this way.

2. As Bro. Benj. Leinbach will probably be stationed at Bethabara this fall, it will be necessary to repair and fix up the parsonage. The Brn. H. W. Fries and John D. Siewers with the Treasr. were on motion appointed a Committee to examine the premises and report to the Board.

4. The Treasurer of Wa. Sustent. Diacy. submitted the annual accounts from June 1, 1874, to May 31, 1875, showing a deficit of \$213.66, altho' the S.F.A. contributed \$3,000. Board ordered the balancing off of the claims against E. A. Vogler and E. A. Vogler & Co., amounting together to \$1,238.15, as these claims are entirely lost. The aggregate of the subscriptions of all the country congregations amounted to only about \$400, not equal to the salary of one minister. Board urgently recommends to the ministers and Committees the strict observance of the Synodical rules and enactments in reference to the subscriptions for the support of ministers and the payments to them.

Tues., Sept. 14. Bro. Rights absent.

1. The Committee appointed July 28th reported that they had visited Bethabara, and found the church and parsonage in good order, in better repair than they had been for the last 25 years. A new pump stock, after the well has been cleaned, and new platform, some repairs to the stable, a shed for a carriage, and some fixing of the present back buildings are required. A new paling fence in front of the church and parsonage should likewise be made. Board ordered all these repairs and requested the Treasurer to attend to the making thereof.

Mon., Dec. 13. Brn. Rights and J. Fulkerson absent.

2. The Unity's Wardens College (U.V.C.) is very desirous of having the affairs of Wachovia Administration wound up as speedily as possible, and in order to attain this end, is willing to transfer the whole property to a Church fund or to private individuals on very liberal terms. If the terms offered prove acceptable, Financial Board expressed its willingness to undertake the business, as Wachovia Sustentation appears to be that Church institution most legitimately entitled to derive any financial profit accruing from such a transfer. This expression of opinion is preliminary to the negotiations to be entered into.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1875

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Eugene P. Greider.]

Sat., Jan. 2. Made an extract from my annual report for *The Moravian*.

Tues., Jan. 5. Since New Year we have had bad weather, sleet and rain and the roads in a bad condition. A cloudy day. Purchased 233 pounds of pork and had it cut up and made some sausages and puddings.

Thurs., Jan. 7. Rained all day. A delightful day to do a variety of things. Kept busy all day in this way.

Sun., Jan. 10. The coldest day, 10° above zero, and consequently but few appeared in church. Sunday School at 11¹/₄ o'clock. At the close each scholar received an illuminated card as a New Year's present. Forty-eight scholars were present.

Sun., Jan. 17. Called a meeting in the "Livingston House" and had fire. Many are sick, and hence the congregation was small. Sunday School. Distributed illustrated papers.

Tues., Jan. 19. The most of the families in town are suffering from severe colds. Some confined in bed.

Wed., Jan. 20. We have not had one fair day in this year. This morning it is fair and cold.

Mon., Feb. 1. Started the stove subscription with success.

Fri., Feb. 5. Finished stove subscriptions in town.

Sun., Feb. 7. Preached at Bethania at 10¹/₂. Then the heads of families met and agreed to work the graveyard road on Thursday before Palm Sunday. The Lord's Supper was administered to 48 souls, preceded by the confirmation of Eugene Thomas Kapp at 11¹/₂ o'clock. [He] professes to have been happily converted on the day of his father's funeral.

Mon., Feb. 8. The coldest night and day this winter, 4° above zero. Today it was concluded to get a stove from Salem at once and put the pipe out of the window as a trial on proper draft and use.

Sat., Feb. 13. Today a box stove with a large drum was set up in the church. The pipe was run out the northeast window. Fire was made and the necessary draft was not wanting.

Sun., Feb. 14. Preached at Bethania. . . . Sunday School in the church. The house was comfortable, and all felt satisfied with the stove. Meeting this evening at 6 o'clock. This has been a pleasant day.

Mon., Feb. 15. Spent the day in visiting the aged widow Maria Krüger, living with her son Isaac 7 miles northeast of Bethania, found her well and in good spirits. She is in her 88th year.

Sun., Feb. 21. The church was well warmed.

Mon., Feb. 22. Visited Widow Anna Banner at John Null's 5 miles above Bethania. . . .

Mon., Mar. 1. A day of rain. Mustered up energy to write out my conference report for February and to review manuscript notes on the text for next Sunday's sermon. A gloomy, dismal day.

Tues., Mar. 2. Collected the stove subscriptions in town for the payment of the bill at Salem.

Sun., Mar. 7. This Sabbath day has been a blank, a dead letter in the year's records of this congregation as far as church ministrations are concerned. It poured down rain from morning till night, leaving no possibility of meetings. The regular Spanish Grove appointment also failed.

Sun., Mar. 14. The attendance upon the preaching of the Word at Bethania was encouraging. Rode over to Bethabara. As I rode in at one end of the town, Br. R. P. Lineback drove in the other end. Br. Lineback preached to an attentive congregation of hearers with an evident good effect.

Thurs., Mar. 18. The graveyard and bridge with the road was fixed up today by about 30 hands. At noon drove over to Wm. Pratt for some wheat for minister's subscription and took it to the mill.

Sun., Mar. 21. Palm Sunday. Preaching at Bethania at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. About 50 hearers. Some Hausertown wiseacre impressed the organist with the idea that the organ was too much out of tune to be used, hence we will have no organ accompaniment in our Easter meetings.

Tues., Mar. 23. Quite a number of people on the graveyard today fixing graves. Assisted several in locating graves having no stones to designate the remains.

Fri., Mar. 26. Good Friday. The usual meditations upon the trial, condemnation, crucifixion and burial of our Lord at 10 A.M., 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. In the noon and evening meetings the organ was again brought into use and no one objected.

Sun., Mar. 28. *Easter.* The usual graveyard and church services at Bethania and Bethabara.

([Bethania Report:] Owing to the unsettled condition of the weather and also of my health, nothing was done in the way of securing additions to the congregations under my charge. There are some candidates, but they have not been solicited.)

Sat., Apr. 3. At the meeting [at Spanish Grove] I found a large congregation for a Saturday. The attendance and attention was encouraging, but the amounts subscribed for the year towards minister's support was discouraging.

Mon., Apr. 5. Engaged in planting potatoes and early garden truck. A delightful day.

Thurs., Apr. 8. Engaged in storing corn against the depre-dations of the rats and in planting garden.

Sat., Apr. 10. Committee meeting in the church at 12 o'clock. ([Bethania Report:] Agreed to have the organ tuned and repaired and the communion table supplied with a new dressed curtain.)

Sun., Apr. 11. No organ.

Thurs., Apr. 15. Rose with the intention of employing the day in visiting, but found myself incompetent to carry it out. Called around in town.

Sun., Apr. 18. We had unusual cold, stormy weather for several days and more especially today. It is thought that the prospects for fruit are entirely gone. Even the leaves of the trees are frosted.

Tues., Apr. 20. Business required me to go to Salem. Living here requires such a loss of time.

Fri., Apr. 23. Sr. Greider visited in town. ([Bethania Report:] She has visited the families in town during our stay in Bethania once a month besides made many visits with me in the country and attended to her regular family duties.)

Sun., Apr. 25. Sunday School at Bethania was conducted by the teachers. At Bethabara a Sunday School has been organized and 43 scholars are in attendance. It is also proposed to open a social prayer meeting on next Sunday at 3 o'clock. The school is held in the morning.

Mon., May 3. Returned home early, as the horse was needed for ploughing. During these . . .

Wed., May 5. . . . days the farm ground was ploughed and planted in corn. No visiting in the country. Sr. Greider made some calls in town during the evenings.

Sun., May 9. Preached at Bethania at 10 A.M. and at Bethabara at 2 P.M. The attendance at Bethabara was good, but the conduct of some young persons is intolerable.

Tues., May 11. With my family made a visit to the Yadkin River at Glen's Ferry. After the children had done some fishing we returned. . . .

Sun., May 23. Preaching at 10 o'clock at Bethania. At Bethabara at 2 o'clock by Rev. R. P. Leinbach, and well it is, for I could not have gone there today. Meeting here this evening.

Fri., May 28. Engaged in preparations for Sunday at Friedland Centennial.

Sun., May 30. Yesterday and today were spent at Friedland. In connection with the festive services I preached to, as it was estimated, about 2,000 people on this day. It was a delightful occasion.

Wed., June 9. Visited several withdrawn members and Luella Oehman on her duty.

Thurs., June 10. Made another effort to have a conversation with George Porter but failed to succeed.

Fri., June 11. The altar table and the platform has been repaired and a new dressing supplied. During the week the church was cleaned, the stove and pipe removed, etc., for the festival on Sunday.

Sat., June 12. Committee meeting at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. ([Bethania Report:] Elias Schaub and Egbert Lehman were proposed for return to church fellowship and unanimously approved.)

Sun., June 13. Anniversary of the congregation. Festival prayer meeting at 9. Sermon by Br. E. A. de Schweinitz at 10. Lovefeast at 2 o'clock followed by the observing of the Lord's Supper in which 120 communicants participated. It was a very enjoyable day, and the large congregation gave evidence of having received the blessing for such occasion.

Mon., June 14. By request visited the coloured young woman Laura at David Shouse's. Directed her to the Saviour from sin and prayed with her. She felt encouraged but still not satisfied.

Sun., July 4. Sunday School at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. This being the anniversary of our national independence I preached here at 10 A.M. and at Spanish Grove at 2 P.M. on the nature of good government. Text: 2 Sam. 23:3 "He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God."

Fri., Sat., July 9, 10. Engaged in pulpit preparations, superintended some wood chopping with the usual routine of morning work, which is at times too much for me. I am getting weary of serving congregations where everything devolves upon

the minister. No one looks after the premises or the temporal wants of the minister and his family. Hence the minister has to continually keep up something.

Sun., July 11. Sunday School at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Preaching at 10 o'clock was poorly attended. Many town members missing, Leinbach at Bethabara. Our allotted rain for the day came at the hour for meeting, hence no services at night. No one appeared to be especially disappointed.

Tues., Wed., July 20, 21. Engaged in hauling fire wood and material for the building of a hog sty. Yesterday Professor Schulze, accompanied by the Rt. Rev. de Schweinitz and Rev. Grunert, visited Bethabara and Bethania. Rain on both days.

Mon., July 26. While resting my weary mind and body, Mr. Ed. Leinback, in company with J. T. Borhek, Jr., from Bethlehem and Mr. Danford from New York, called to examine our organ. Mr. Danford, assisted by Mr. Leinback, voiced and tuned the instrument, we paying them \$12. The work was done in about 3 hours.

Sat., July 31. With my family visited Wm. Spainhour and family. Spent 5 hours and took dinner there. With Edw. Butner and family overnight and part of the Sunday.

Sun., Aug. 1. After spending part of Saturday and Sunday in the families of Edw. and Francis Butner, and visiting the aged Mr. Wolfe, they with us and a number of others repaired to Mt. Zion meeting house, where I preached to over 100 souls under the trees on Luke 14:18. After taking a lunch there we drove on to the house of Joel Snyder's and at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock preached at Spainhour's to a congregation assembled in the grove, with a storm threatening but passing over us. While some were hindered from coming, those who did come were permitted to hear and worship through the appointed services.

Tues., Aug. 3. Hired a wagon and went out to Dav. Shouse for two shoats. Came home in the rain.

Thurs., Aug. 5. This day was spent in going to Salem, submitting a report of my doings during June and July, getting into a stormy debate,¹ preaching the funeral sermon [of the late Mary Catharine Shore] at Bethabara, visiting Mrs. Volk,

¹Minutes of both the Ministers Conference and Provincial Elders Conference give no hint of a "stormy debate."

who is improving, and then returning home somewhat shattered in nerve from the spicy varieties for the day.

Fri., Aug. 6. During this week the church at Bethabara was whitewashed, scoured, new curtains put up, a new altar cloth provided, and the house will yet be whitewashed and cleaned before the festival to be held on Saturday, 21st inst.

Sun., Aug. 15. A rainy morning. But few members from the country present at the preaching. Some came in later. Lovefeast at 1 o'clock followed by the Communion. Foreign missions collection after preaching: \$3; of this 70¢ was given by the preacher's family.

Sat., Aug. 21. Festival at Bethabara. Preaching at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$. Lovefeast at 3 and Communion followed. 17 communed. ([Bethania Report:] Called the [Bethabara] Committee together and informed them that Br. J. Benj. Leinbach had received and accepted a call as minister of Bethabara and would move thither end of October. Made the announcement to the congregation.)

Sun., Sept. 5. Sunday School at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ and conducted as usual. Singing, prayer, calling of the roll, responsive reading of a Gospel chapter with a brief exposition and a few practical lessons, class instruction, singing exercises, and close. Preaching at Bethania at 10 o'clock and at Spanish Grove at 2 o'clock. Both places were honored with a good attendance.

Mon., Sept. 6. [V]isited at Caroline Conrad and her son's, and Alpheus Conrad and his family. A child in the latter family got at a keg of brandy and became deadly drunk, and only by the prompt administration of an antidote was the child saved. The family was in great distress when we arrived there.

Fri., Sept. 17. Had a poor night's rest. After breakfast which was taken at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock I with wheelbarrow, rake and bag went to the woods for leaves for the horse stable. The rest of the morning I spent in visiting at several places, and in writing a letter. In the afternoon I visited in four families north of the church.

Sun., Sept. 19. Preached at Mt. Pleasant this morning and afternoon. Remained overnight with Saml. Schaub. Returned home by noon with headache and breast ache. ([Bethania Report:] An appointment for Crooked Run on this day was moved to Mt. Pleasant by Edwin Grabs, etc., as a protracted meeting was to be held there. Omitted the morning services at Bethania to recruit a little in going there and being a hearer,

but as their preacher did not come, I had to preach twice for them and expose myself in a manner beyond my present ability.)

Sun., Sept. 26. Sunday school. Only 12 scholars. Baptism of an infant and preaching at 10 o'clock. Laboured hard to get through without showing my infirmities.

Fri., Oct. 1. Sr. Greider at Levin Grabs's to fix up the communion basket. I at home.

Sat., Oct. 2. At 2 o'clock a meeting of the Committee took place. ([Bethania Report:] Repairs on the premises were decided upon. 24 names not on the subscription list for this year were handed to the collector. Sarah Leinbach, wife of Junius, was proposed and approved of for connection with the Church.)

Mon., Oct. 11. To the woods for leaves. Then preached at No. 1 School House for Rev. Long.

Fri., Oct. 15. A good turn out for woodchopping. Four teams hauled 24 good loads of wood. The yard is filled with wood.

Sun., Oct. 24. With my family went to Bethabara, where I closed my ministrations. . . . Br. Benjn. Leinbach is coming to Bethabara this week.

Tues., Oct. 26. Today we visited the aged widow Maria Kreeker above Antioch, and returning called at Saml. Stauber's. Came home at night with rain.

Thurs., Oct. 28. Employed two hands to cut up wood for winter use. They continued . . .

Fri., Oct. 29. . . . and Ferd [Br. Greider's son Ferdinand] and I were employed setting it up on piles and storing the chips.

Sun., Oct. 31. Preached at Bethania to an ordinary number of worshippers. Opened and conducted the Sunday School. The frequent and repeated insubordination of the few boys who attend the school was again exhibited, which led me to declare to them my determination to have them conform to rule. And that I would see their parents about it.

Thurs., Nov. 11. Marked down some thoughts for thanksgiving during the morning hours. At noon went to mill for bread stuff and later engaged in filling up in the yard.

Fri., Nov. 12. Finished my yard work and then went around town to get them to come and put up the stove, which was done at noon. This evening Sr. Greider visited in town.

Sun., Nov. 21. A small congregation assembled for worship. Special prayer was offered in behalf of our College and Seminary. ([Bethania Report:] announcement [was] made that I would gladly forward any contributions towards the support of said institution. No one responded.)

Thus., Nov. 25. Public Thanksgiving. Services at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock attended by about 50 worshippers. The majority in the community do not know of the day. Sr. G. visited in town.

Sun., Nov. 28. 1st Sunday in Advent. Public worship at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Used the Te Deum Laudamus. Preached on John 3:16. Sunday School at 1 o'clock. Six new selected pieces of music were practiced for Christmas. The choir has not yet organized for the festivities.

Thurs., Dec. 2. My 50th birthday. Attended [Ministers] Conference at Salem and reported the transactions of the past month. Returned home early and after a short respite rode to Pfafftown, and at 6 o'clock at the house of Edwin Pfaff joined together Mr. A. D. Stimpson and Miss Jelly E. Pfaff in holy matrimony. 6 groomsmen and 6 bridesmaids with a large company of relations and friends were in attendance. The night proved dark and inclement. Tarried overnight with Solomon Pfaff. By morning . . .

Fri., Dec. 3. . . . nature had mantled mother earth and her production with a covering of sleet which was followed with rain. The wedding party was considerable exercised and exposed in getting ready and departing for the groom's home on the Yadkin River, where the so called infare will be given. As the weather continued no better, I excused myself from going thither and returned home. A most disagreeable day for such a joyous occasion. Rained all day.

Sat., Dec. 4. ([Bethania Report:] The Committee met and arranged for the Christmas celebration. Also agreed that the families in town shall each in turn make the fire in the church on Sunday.)

Sun., Dec. 5. Another rainy day. A comfortable church brought the usual number of town people to worship.

Sat., Dec. 18. The coldest morning for the winter. Preached at Pleasant Ridge at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. The house was cruelly cold.

Sun., Dec. 19. Owing to Christmas decorations in progress in the church no public worship was held this morning. The choir practiced once and the Sunday School twice during the afternoon and evening in the church.

Mon., Dec. 20. Engaged in summing up current expenses for the year and writing out statistics for my report to the Superintendent of the Province.

Tues., Wed., Dec. 21, 22. Having procured candies, etc., for the Sunday School, several of the teachers met this evening and put up 35 packages for the scholars to be given at Christmas.

Fri., Dec. 24. The weather is so warm that no fire is needed. A delightfully pleasant evening brought a large congregation together in the church, decorated for the occasion with wreaths festooned around the gallery and their supporting pillars. Festivities were opened at 5 o'clock with a choir piece of music, and thus we continued with singing by the children and congregation in alternation, while lovefeast was served to the children. Then followed an address by the pastor. The crown was placed upon all our purposes to have a figurative description of the true intent of a Saviour's birth by the carrying in of 150 wax tapers lighted and distributed among the children, lighting up the whole church. This practice among us was explained to the children and through them to the entire congregation. Closed with some practical remarks and singing Hymn 1000 ["Sing Hallelujah, Praise the Lord"].

Sat., Dec. 25. Christmas Day festival at Spanish Grove. Appearances for rain did not hinder a large congregation from gathering there. At 12 the services commenced. The house was decorated. Lovefeast and wax candles were distributed; 330 portions were given out and about 100 candles to the children.

Retrospect: Sermons and short discourses preached, 115. Miles travelled in preaching, visiting, and in other official duties, on horseback or in carriage, alone or in company with wife, 1,380. Visits made by the pastor and his wife: in town 525, in country 225, [total] 750.

Friedberg Diary, 1875

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of David Zeisberger Smith.]

Mon., Jan. 4. Ministers' Conference at Salem. Sr. S. did not feel well enough to attend. Took Lizzie up to the depot for the morning train, as she wished to return to Danville to her school duties.

Sat., Jan. 16. Baked our quota (35) of Lovefeast cakes, and parched and ground the coffee for tomorrow's lovefeast.

Sun., Jan. 17. Anniversary meeting of the Friedberg Home Mission Society. All present were invited to the lovefeast, at which Br. Grunert presided and made an interesting address, giving an account of the Home Mission at Mt. Bethel, Va. Br. Leinbach then followed with an address on the same topic. The 10 collectors then went round to take up collections and get subscriptions, while I addressed the congregation, and then these highly interesting services were closed by singing the benediction.

Tues., Jan. 19. The Brn. Jesse Mock and Jno. Crouch came in company with Br. Ernst, requesting that I should accompany them to settle a dispute between the latter (Br. Ernst) and Br. Wm. Reich about a certain line fence. When we arrived on the spot Br. Reich was working at the fence. It was agreed by both parties that each should make one half of the line of fence on his land, joining the fences where they met, and each one keep his part in good repair.

Mon., Feb. 1. For the past few nights set deadfalls in the garret and cellar to catch the rats, with which we are overrun. Thus far caught 9.

Wed., Feb. 3. Our daughter Emma having received a letter from her sister offering her a position as teacher at Danville, Va., I took her and her trunks to Salem in the afternoon.

Sun., Feb. 7. In the public prayer prayed for the many sick at present in our congregation. Our domestic left us, as her mother sent for her, having been struck down by sickness.

Sun., Feb. 14. At Br. [Emanl.] Tesh's we had a meeting of the neighbors in the evening to confer about the building of a new church. At the close of the meeting at 10 o'clock I started home, and arrived at Friedberg at 1 o'clock in the night. . . .

Tues.-Thurs., Feb. 23-25. We had rain. On the evening of the 24th we had thunder and lightning, the first this year. The water ran into the cellar, and over 100 buckets full were bailed out.

Mon., Mar. 1. Rain all day, towards evening thunder and lightning. Sarah Rothrock came with John Tesh to fetch her things, as she is now obliged to keep house for her father since her mother's death. We have succeeded in getting Mary Spaugh in her place. The water had again run into the cellar, from which we had to dip out 100 buckets full.

Sat., Mar. 6. Started to Eman. Tesh's, where a meeting had been appointed to fix on a location for building a new church. Three sites were selected, one on the west side of the Ben Spaugh land, provided Thom. Fishel would grant an additional acre of his land adjoining so as to have sufficient level ground for building, which he, however, was unwilling either to donate or to sell in that locality. Another site selected was the NE corner of said tract in the old field, but here there was not sufficient level land either. A third site was in the woods adjoining said old field, belonging to Thos. Fishel, and an acre of which he was willing to donate, in the corner of the two roads which meet here. This site was therefore selected by resolution of the meeting.

Fri., Mar. 12. In the morning Jul. Rothrock came to work for me at \$5 per month.

Sat., Mar. 13. Took dinner at Em. Tesh's. At 1 o'clock P.M. a meeting was held in the woods to survey the acre on which the new church is to be built. It was then resolved to build 40 x 30 instead of 36 x 24.

Sat., Mar. 20. Rain all day. Grafted some pear trees. Violent thunderstorm toward evening.

Sun., Mar. 21. In the evening we commenced the usual Reading meetings.

Sun., Mar. 28. (Easter.) An immense concourse here today. [W]e proceeded to the graveyard, where we prayed the Litany, afterwards the sermon in the church. Text: Ps. 46:3-5. The behavior good, considering the crowd.

Sat., Apr. 17. A very cold wind has been blowing yesterday and today, which threatens to destroy all the fruit blossoms. Planted corn these two days.

Sun., Apr. 25. S.S. and preaching very well attended, better than usual, *because* it was expected that a stranger would preach. Mr. Benson preached. . . .

Tues., Apr. 27. Wedding of Mr. A. W. Benson from Hamilton Presbytery, Canada, to our daughter Lizzie.

Wed., Apr. 28. Started early with the married pair and Emma to see them off at the Salem depôt.

Fri., Apr. 30. A Bohemian by the name of Grohman came here recommended by Br. Grunert. . . . I went with him to John Burke's, where I found a temporary situation for him.

Sun., May 2. After dinner started over to the neighborhood where the new church is to be built.

Tues., May 4. Scouring of the church. Quite a number of the Committee were present. It was apparent that an attempt was made to encroach on the rights of the minister and his family, which, however, they were unsuccessful. It is sad where in a church there is a desire on the part of some to exercise a petty tyranny over the minister.

Sat., May 8. Single Srs. Festival. After the services a Committee meeting was held, in which the minister was shamefully abused for not being willing to fall in with them in keeping protracted meetings. Also for not being willing to permit other tunes to be sung in the church than Moravian. As they complained that the melodeon hindered many from singing, the minister agreed to give way by not using [it] in singing in church.

Thurs., May 13. We were obliged to dismiss the hired boy, as we found that he [had been] corrupting the morals of our children.

Fri., May 14. The Bohemian, Grohman, who had been working at Burk's, came to work for us.

Sat., May 15. Congregation Festival. Br. E. A. Schweinitz was present from Salem. There was a very large attendance; the church was filled and some on the galleries. Br. Schw. preached, text: 1 Cor. 12:26. Afterwards the Lovefeast; the cakes did not reach. After dinner we had a conversation with Br. Schw. relative to the abuse which we received from the Committee.

Wed.-Sat., May 19-22. The corn was cultivated both ways.

Thurs., May 27. Funeral of Sr. Annie Fishel. . . . As the Committee at their last meeting drew from me the acquiescence to sing their own tunes going to and coming from the graveyard, and as I therefore gave out no hymns to be sung, so there was no singing.

Sat., May 29. Attended the centennial celebration at Friedland. Preached the centennial sermon at 11 o'clock. In the afternoon lovefeast, about 1,500 persons present. After meeting went with Br. Nath. Koerner to his house at Kernersville to stay overnight.

Sun., May 30. The sermon at 11 o'clock was preached by Br. Grider from Bethany, an excellent and very suitable discourse for the times. The assembly, if anything, [was] larger than yesterday. In the afternoon Br. de Schw. preached, and Br. Rights, as pastor in charge, made very suitable concluding

remarks. On our return took supper at Br. Stewart's about 2 miles from Friedland, and arrived at Friedberg about 8 o'clock.

Thurs., June 3. Went to Salem to Conference. Receiving a card per post from Emma from Danville, I waited for her till train time in the evening at 6. The train was not in time. Waited at the depôt till after 9 o'clock, when the news came that the engine had run off the track, but no one hurt. I had just put away my horse at Mr. Fogle's, and went to Moeller's [Meller's], where I found Emma had just arrived with Mr. M. on foot from the scene of the disaster about 3 miles off.

Sun., July 4. [P]reaching in reference to the day we celebrate. Text: John 8:36. The horse being still lame, I could not go to preach at Tesh's.

Mon., July 12. Sr. S. accompanied me to Salem. Visited Br. de Schweinitz, and desired him to recommend me to the Northern Province, as this climate did not agree with Sr. S.

Sat., July 17. The hottest day with us thus far this year. Therm. 92°.

Mon., July 19. Towards evening went to Ernst's and Zach. Fishel's, to make arrangements about threshing next day.

Tues., July 20. Early in the morning the threshers came to set the machine and by 8 o'clock all our wheat was threshed, after which we had breakfast. 12 men besides our own force were engaged. (Result: 33 bushels.)

Fri., July 23. Professors Shulze and Klose and Br. Grunert paid us a visit and dined with us. Br. Lichenthaler also visited us towards evening.

Mon., July 26. Sr. S. accompanied me to Salem to . . . inquire what arrangements P.E.C. made for sending our son Theo. to Nazareth Hall. Informed that they have not the funds to send him. The hottest day. Therm. [at] 2 o'clock P.M. 98° in the shade.

Wed., July 28. The Bohemian Frank Grohman left us.

Sat., Aug. 14. After dinner, started (with Hubie) for Macedonia. A short distance this side of Hope we met Br. Lichtenthaler, who was our guide. Arrived at Br. Richm. Sheak's about 8 o'clock, and remained there overnight.

Mon., Aug. 16. We left Br. Sheak's to visit Br. Chas. Bahnson at Farmington. Br. B. was a former scholar of mine (in 1850 at Salem).

Thurs., Aug. 19. Towards evening a young man, Mr. Houser, a sewing machine agent, came here to stay overnight.

Sun., Aug. 29. Rev. Saml. Rothrock, a Lutheran minister living below Salisbury who as a child was a member of Friedberg, preached a very acceptable sermon. After preaching, a number of Brn. conferred with the Brn. Em. Tesh, Jos. Knouse and Thos. Fishel about hauling the lumber from the mill for the church in that neighborhood. Next Friday week, the 10th of Sept., was set in order to go to the mill, and a number expressed their readiness to go.

Sun., Sept. 12. Cloudy and rainy. A very small attendance. The rainy weather, however, did not hinder the people from going to [Mt.] Olivet, because it was a *big* meeting.

Wed., Oct. 20. Went to Salem, accompanied by Sr. S. and Hubie. After dinner I took all my children to see a large exhibition of wild animals, etc., above Winston. A crowd of over 3,000 people had collected.

Fri., Nov. 5. In the evening we had a husking frolic. About 15 men and boys present.

Wed., Nov. 10. Last week and this week sick, having cold and rheumatism. Sr. S. also.

Thurs., Nov. 11. Went to the sale of the property of the departed Br. Sol. Hege. An immense concourse there. Whiskey must have been smuggled thither, for there were a number drunk.

Sun., Nov. 14. Cloudy, and big meeting of the Dunkers across Southfork, and 2 Quaker women expected to preach at Pleasant Fork. Our meeting therefore very small.

Sun., Nov. 28. [In the afternoon] the horse, having taken the epizootic, broke down at Stafford's in taking the children to Salem. Mr. Stafford kindly lent them a mule for the rest of the way.

Sun., Dec. 5. Have discontinued keeping meetings at Emanl. Tesh's for the present on account of the bad weather and roads in winter.

Wed., Dec. 22. At 2 o'clock we had practicing of Christmas anthems with the children. On account of the stubbornness of some of them, I was obliged to go to the schoolhouse to insist upon their coming. Several Brn. hauled cedar and laurel for a decoration.

Thurs., Dec. 23. Today a few Brn. were here to assist in making a decoration in the church, and in the evening a number of young persons came to cut artificials to put in the wreaths.

Sat., Dec. 25. (Christmas Day.) On account of the unfavorable state of the weather, not as large a crowd was present as in former years, still the church below was well filled.

Kernersville Diary, with Friedland, 1875

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Sun., Jan. 17. Preaching at Friedland. After preaching consulted again with the members in reference to the approaching Centennial Jubilee, and taking the possibility of unfavorable weather into consideration about the 18th of February, it was agreed to postpone the celebration till in May. Went to brother Jacob Smith's. One of their married daughters, Pitts, has become deranged in the last two weeks, and the parents are in great trouble.

Mon., Jan. 18. Theodore Ramsay, the state temperance lecturer, visited in town and gave a temperance lecture at night.

Thurs., Jan. 21. Received a postal card from Dr. Bahnson saying that brother Thomas Kapp of Bethania was dead, and the family would be glad if I could be present at the funeral tomorrow.

Fri., Jan. 22. A rainy morning. Did not go to Bethania.

Thurs., Jan. 28. Sr. Rights was taken sick with pneumonia today.

Sun., Jan. 31. Mr. Pegram preached. Sr. Rights is still very sick. A good deal of sickness in town and country.

Wed., Feb. 3. Sister Rights is some better.

Fri., Feb. 5. Visited my old father in Liberty, found him doing very well. He is the oldest *native* Salemite now living.

Thurs., Feb. 18. Today *one hundred years ago* the first church at Friedland was consecrated. The Jubilee is postponed till May. The day is cold, and there would have been no comfort there.

Mon., Feb. 22. Weather is moderating. February so far has been a cold month, and since New Year the spirit thermometer in the Northwest was down to 52 and mercury froze at 41. The ice in Iowa was four feet deep. In New York City people crossed on the ice to Brooklyn and Hoboken, the first time it was done since 1835. In Kansas a number of persons froze to death, and cold, cold is the cry all over the country.

Sun., Feb. 28. After the morning service the Brethren met to consult about trying to get a bell for the church, as we never will get our services regulated till we get one. The brethren Julius Harmon, Nathaniel Kerner and Joseph J. Kerner were appointed a committee to take the matter in hand and see what can be done.

Tues., Mar. 2. Warm but cloudy. Frogs are out in chorus.

Wed., Mar. 3. Cold rain, east wind—no prospect to plow.

Mon., Mar. 15. Left home to go to brother Thomas Shulz on Muddy Creek to get some sugar maple trees to plant before the parsonage. After passing Salem came in contact with a severe thunder storm accompanied with rain and hail. Found the road between Salem and Bethabara in a terrible condition, and all the bridges on the creek below Old Town are washed away.

Thurs., Mar. 25. Maundy Thursday. Reading in the afternoon and Communion at night. Had the use of Mr. Fulton's organ and quite a good attendance.

Sun., Mar. 28. Easter Sunday. At 1/2 past 3 o'clock we were awakened by the music of the band in the streets, and at 5 o'clock quite a number met in the church, and from here we went to the graveyard and read the Easter Litany. At 1/2 past 10 o'clock we had preaching. In the afternoon I went to Friedland; the band went with me. Found a large company awaiting us. Went on the graveyard and preached. Returned home and kept a union prayer meeting, Protestant Methodists, Baptists, and Episcopal Methodists taking part. The church was full, attracted in part by the organ. And the singing, if not artistic, was hearty, and everybody seemed to enjoy the meeting. In fact the Easter services have been well attended throughout, more so than in any of our country congregations where I have been stationed, and the service of the band was an unexpected courtesy, as not one of them belongs to our church. On Thursday afternoon there was a general suspension of business and a turnout to meeting.

Mon., Mar. 29. There was a picnic in Mr. Israel Kerner's warehouse, and young and old enjoyed it.

Mon., Apr. 5. Sister Rights commenced keeping a day school in the vestry room of the church.

Mon., Apr. 12. Sister Rights being sick, I kept the school today—20 children.

Sun., Apr. 18. Went to Friedland and preached. . . . Afterwards consulted about the expected Jubilee celebration to be

held at the end of May. It was resolved to go on and have it. ([Friedland Report:] Jacob Smith, John Steward and others said they would have nothing to do with it.) Today it has been the coldest day I ever felt so late in the season. Ice froze in standing water all day, and I have not been colder all winter riding to and from Friedland than today.

Tues., Apr. 20. Met Mr. Banner Hasten, a teacher at Nazareth Hall, at Kernersville. He has come home to see his mother; she is very low with pneumonia.

Tues., Apr. 27. Kept school this forenoon; it now numbers 30 children, 28 present this morning.

Wed., Apr. 28. Our neighbor, Rev. Mr. Rush and family, moved away today to Trinity School. He sold his house here to a Mr. King, said to be a tobacco and liquor trader.

Fri., Apr. 30. Yesterday Salina, a colored woman whose parents live near Bethania, came to live with us.

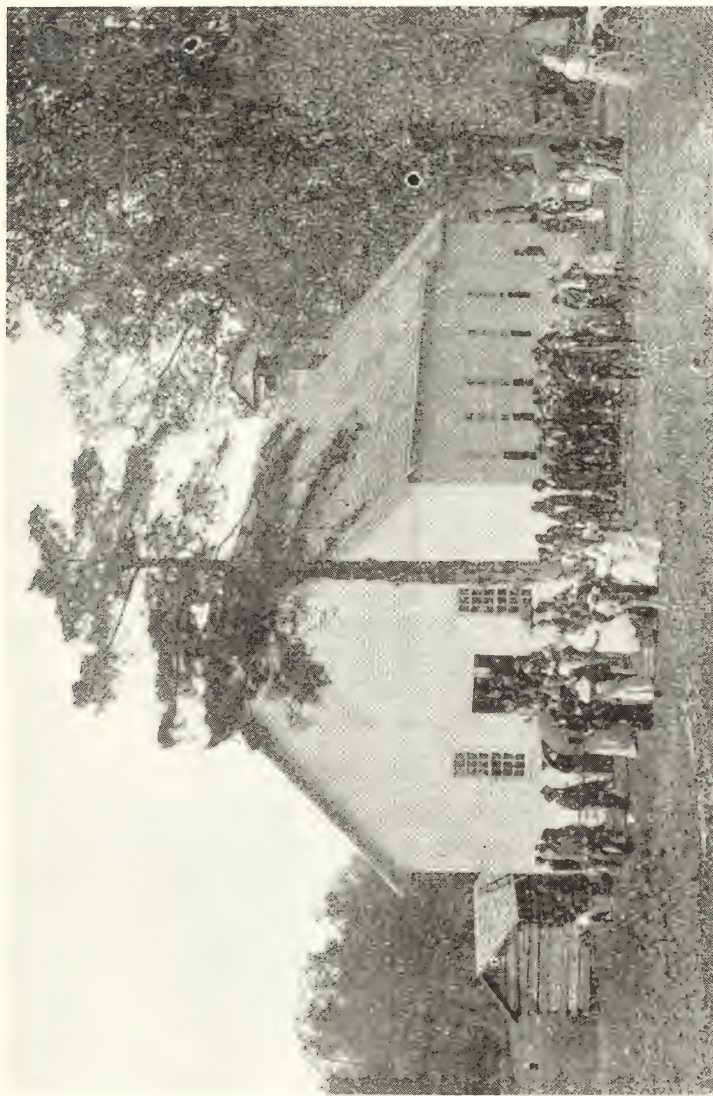
Thurs., May 6. Ascension. Preached at Kernersville. There were more out than I ever had at Friedberg or Bethania.

Sun., May 16. Whitsunday. A cold day. Went to Friedland with Sr. Rights. Preached from Acts 2:7-8. Afterwards held a meeting to consult about the approaching Jubilee. ([Friedland Report:] William Gibbins, Walter Weavil, Christian Em. Reed, Lisetta Steward and Sr. Rights pledged themselves to carry the matter through. Em. Reed said he would stand good for 500 Lovefeast cakes, and Sisters Lisetta Steward and Rights said they would bake 12 hundred cakes and Mr. Fogle had offered them the use of the oven at the [Salem Female] Academy, so it was determined to carry it out anyway.) At night I preached at Kernersville. The Primitive Baptists had an association about 6 miles from here, and the whole country went there.

Mon., May 17. Helped in the school in the forenoon. There are thirty children in all.

Thurs., May 20. Went to Friedland to help make arrangements for the coming Jubilee. ([Friedland Report:] Even some of the Baptists came and helped, and our own members staid away.)

Fri., May 28. Brought my family from Salem to Friedland to stay till after the Jubilee. ([Friedland Report:] Lisetta Steward and Sr. Rights baked 1,200 cakes from 5 o'clock this morning to 4 o'clock this afternoon. Brother Gibbins tried to get the Salem bakers to bake our cakes, and we find everything. Winkler



Friedland Moravian Church celebrated its hundredth anniversary on May 29-30, 1875. Pictured here is Friedland's second meetinghouse, which served from 1847 to 1952.

offered to do it for \$35.00, Meller for \$25.00, and Hall would not do it unless he could furnish everything, and then he must have \$60.00. And when brother Gibbins told them Sr. Rights would bake them, they made light of it and said it would be a sorry baking. But they did not know that my wife had a receipt presented to her by a baker in Bethlehem and can bake as good as they can.¹⁾

Sat., May 29. Jubilee opened by a choir piece, reading scriptures by brother Oerter, preaching by brother D. Z. Smith. In the afternoon Lovefeast, addresses by the brethren Grunert and Oerter, and reading of the historical sketch by brother de Schweinitz.

Sun., May 30. At 10 o'clock procession to the graveyard, [Easter Morning] Litany prayed by brother R. P. Leinbach, preaching by E. P. Greider (Ps. 132:13-14), closing prayer by Turner. In the afternoon address by brother E. A. de Schweinitz and close by the pastor.

Mon., May 31. Moving home from Friedland.

Tues., June 1. Still moving things home from Friedland.

Fri., June 11. Wrote a sketch of the Friedland centennial for *The Moravian*.

Tues., June 15. Visited brother Jonathan Lowder; he is very low. ([Friedland Report:] Dr. Sievers was called in Sunday, and pronounced his disease paralysis of the bowels, and told him he must die. It is two weeks now since anything has passed through him, and Dr. Kerner has made every effort to force a passage without effect.)

Mon., July 5. In the afternoon Sister Rights gave her [school] children some lemonade and cakes for Fourth of July. In the evening I went to see brother Lowder; he is worse again.

Mon., July 12. A new scholar came to school, a Miss Gune. Mr. Ray was going to begin a school, but had no scholars.

Thurs., July 22. This morning I received information that Sister Annie Smith, wife of brother Jacob Smith of Friedland, died suddenly on yesterday afternoon at the house of [her] son Eli Smith and is to be buried at Friedland today at 11 o'clock. I accordingly went and attended to the funeral, preached from 2 Tim. 1:10. There was also a child of Andrew Sill's buried

¹Elizabeth Hughes Rights was a native of Salisbury and raised in the Methodist Church, and for a time in courtship and early married life her husband, Christian Lewis Rights, had joined the Methodists.

here today without saying by your leave. I gave notice that hereafter all applications on the part of strangers must be made to br. Eli Hine, as he has been appointed graveyard superintendent.

Wed., July 28. Received a visit from the Brethren Schultze of the Bethlehem College, Grunert, and Oerter. After dinner they went around by Friedland.

Tues., Aug. 3. Visited brother Lowder and prayed with him. He is getting weaker; nothing passed through him in eight weeks.

Sun., Aug. 8. I had a slight chill, but the fever was more severe. Called in Dr. Kerner, and he gave me some medicine which kept me sick all night.

Wed., Aug. 11. Still fever; have been taking quinine for several days.

Sun., Aug. 15. I was not well enough to go to Friedland, and on account of the rain no one went to church, so there was no disappointment.

Wed., Aug. 18. Brother Jonathan Lowder died this morning at 5 o'clock.

([Margin note:] August has been an unusually rainy month; two-thirds of the days it rained. There is a good deal of fever, and diphtheria in the neighborhood of Loves.)

([Kernersville Report:] *Fri., Sept. 17.* Sr. Rights closed her school with an examination in the day and entertainment at night.)

Thurs., Sept. 23. Started to Mt. Bethel.

Sun., Sept. 26. Preached at Mt. Bethel in the morning and at night.

Tues., Sept. 28. A heavy frost, the first of the season. A good deal of tobacco injured.

Thurs., Sept. 30. Started home and came as far as Mt. Airy and staid overnight. ([Kernersville Report:] Staid overnight at the brick hotel kept by the sheriff of the county, Taylor. He had just come back from Raleigh, where he had taken Lindsay Harold to the penitentiary. He is from near Kernersville, and his wife is a granddaughter of old brother Phillip Vogler, who lived near Friedberg. When they stopped at the Kernersville depot her sister with Harold's little boy was standing on the platform, and he recognized them, and the sheriff proposed to go out with him, but he refused and said he did not want them to know he was there and cried when he saw them. The sheriff,

when he came back, had to lay over at Greensboro nearly a whole day, and there was a county temperance convention in session. He told them he came from a county that had once been notorious for drunkenness, and now there was not a licensed liquor shop or grocery in the county, and for the last 12 months there had not been a drunken man seen on the streets of Mt. Airy, Dobson, Rockford or Jonesville, while Greensboro has nine grog shops.)

Sat., Oct. 2. Came home.

Mon., Oct. 11. Floy began keeping the free school, 46 children the first day.

Wed., Oct. 13. Sr. Rights being sick, I kept school today so that Floy could stay with her mother.

Thurs., Oct. 14. ([Kernersville Report:] This morning the cloak of a colored girl 12 years old, Leonora Mitchell, caught fire and burnt entirely off.)

Fri., Oct. 15. Leonora Mitchell died this morning.

Sat., Oct. 16. At 3 o'clock P.M. I buried Leonora Mitchell. Had singing, prayer and address in the colored church, and used our burial service at the grave.

Thurs., Oct. 21. The free school numbers 50 children, Sr. Rights and our daughter Florence teachers.

Tues., Nov. 2. The free school numbers 62 children.

Wed., Nov. 10. Prayer meeting in the church. ([Kernersville Report:] This closes the so called union prayer meetings, as the [Methodists] will have services in their new church, beginning with a prayer meeting on next Saturday evening.)

Sun., Nov. 14. The Methodists held a protracted meeting in their new church, Rev. Mr. Lewis and Peel preachers.

Mon.-Wed., Nov. 15-17. Meeting continued. ([Kernersville Report:] Mr. Peel, [a Quaker], seems to be quite a revivalist. The meeting closed up on Thursday evening, when some ten persons joined the church. The Methodists seem to be very well pleased with the result of the meeting. The Quaker shook the bush, and *they* caught the game. But how a man can urge upon others to join a church and not belong to one himself, I cannot see. The Quakers deny baptism, Communion, and the resurrection of the body, and I do not see much in his Bible left worth contending for.)

Sun., Nov. 21. ([Kernersville Report:] Mr. Pegram preached in the morning in the Methodist Church. We now have our church to ourselves again. During the Methodist meeting they

passed a vote of thanks to us for the use of our church, etc., etc.)

Thurs., Dec. 16. Mr. Winslow Smith is moving to Lincoln County.

Sat., Dec. 25. Christmas Day. Preached at Friedland, and then at night kept the Christmas services at home, and had the benefit of a new organ. Miss Floy Rights performed.

Reports of Philadelphia, Hope, and Macedonia, 1875
[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Adolphus
Lichtenthaeler.]

February

Macedonia. A Church Council was held on the 28th before preaching service to take steps for building a new church for this, the Macedonia congregation. A committee of five was appointed by the Council to solicit subscriptions for this purpose. It consisted of the following persons: Bro. Gilson A. Sheek, Bro. Cornelius Hall, Bro. Augustus Butner, Bro. Charles Bahnson, and Mr. Frank Griffith. The committee is to report progress to the Council in two months' time from the day of appointment.

March

Macedonia. At this place no preaching service was held on Sunday, the 14th inst., but in place of it portions of the Acts of the last days of the Son of Man were read. The congregation were very attentive throughout the reading, this being the first time such a service was ever held in their midst. On Sunday, the 28th inst., I was on hand and kept Easter morning services. At 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock we formed in line and marched to the graveyard, where the Easter morning litany was prayed. From thence we proceeded to the church, where the Acts from the Resurrection to the Ascension were read. This was followed by a sermon from Rev. 1:18. A large number of people were present. I understood that this was the first time also that the Easter morning litany was prayed in this congregation.

May

Macedonia. On Sunday, the 9th inst., . . . a Church Council was held to hear the reports of the Subscription Committee appointed some two months ago to raise funds for

the building of a new church at this place. Only three of the five Subscription Committee men were present, who reported \$105.00 subscribed in all. The pastor intimating that this was too small a sum to warrant the undertaking of the building of a new church, and unless the members showed their willingness to do more for the cause, they need not expect assistance from others friendly to the interests of this congregation, Bro. Aug. Butner then rose, and speaking in behalf of the rest of the members of the congregation and the people dwelling in the neighborhood, requested the pastor to speak to the P.E.C. at Salem and announce to them that the congregation would pledge themselves to furnish, on the ground, everything required for building the church if they, the P.E.C., would take the matter in hand and help them on with the work. He was of the opinion that with the aid of the P.E.C. and the congregation at Salem, the church could be built. The rest of the members of the congregation, however, with the exception of a few, seem very loathe to do anything for the cause, fearing lest they might be impoverished thereby. The committee appointed to take up a subscription for the benefit of the Sunday School next reported that \$2.15 had been subscribed for that purpose. This amount was increased before the adjournment of the Council to \$7.30.

June

Macedonia. On the 27th inst., at the close of service the foreign mission collection was taken up, amounting to only 35 cents.

July

Hope. Here the regular monthly service was held on Sunday, the 4th inst., at 11 o'clock, there being an improvement in this congregation with respect to the attendance at meetings.

Macedonia. On the 11th at the close of the service I took up another foreign mission collection to increase the one taken up in this congregation two weeks ago. The result of my effort was 25 cents more collected, and that given by only one person. On Saturday, the 10th inst., a rallying meeting of the I.O.G.T. of Farmington was held in this church, at which meeting I made a temperance address. Other speakers were to have been present but failed to make their appearance. It is hoped that

the new impetus given to the Temperance cause in this part of the community may do much good.

August

Hope. On Thursday, the 26th inst., the congregation festival services were held here with a Lovefeast followed by the celebration of the Holy Communion. In Lovefeast there was a good attendance, and in Communion 10 communicants were present.

December

Macedonia. This congregation has been more fortunate, than either of its sister congregations, Hope or Philadelphia, in the regularity of the semi-monthly preaching services held in its midst during the year. Saturday, Dec. 18th, was the day set apart for scouring the Macedonia Church, cleaning the premises, etc., but as only five brethren assembled for that purpose, all the work contemplated to be done of course could not be accomplished. Enough good fire wood, however, was collected to last during the forthcoming year, and a dangerous tree removed from the premises. The excessive cold weather just at that time was the excuse given by the rest of the brethren of the congregation for not being present on this day, and doing their share of the work. On Saturday, Dec 25th, Christmas festival services were again held for this congregation, this being the second time these services were held here. Although the weather was very unfavorable for the purpose, as it was the Christmas before, when similar services were held for the first time, nevertheless there was a large attendance present, and the services were appreciated by all, both old and young. The usual cake and coffee were distributed to all present, and wax candles to the children. On the day following, Sunday, Dec. 26th, regular preaching service was again held for this congregation, with only a poor attendance. When I came to the church on this day, I found a grave being dug on our graveyard for James Etchison, a young man who shot himself the evening before—whether intentionally or not I am unable to say. He was buried on Monday, Dec. 27th. He was no member of any church, and was said to be in liquor at the time of his death, which came without a moment's warning.

[Queen Victoria of England assumed the title "Empress of India."

In this U.S. Centennial year a great exposition was held in Philadelphia, Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone, General Custer miscalculated at Little Big Horn, Colorado became the thirty-eighth state, and in the presidential election twenty-two electoral votes were disputed. After Republicans agreed to end Reconstruction in the South, Congress declared Rutherford B. Hayes elected, though Samuel Tilden had more popular votes.

In the North Carolina governor's race, Zebulon Vance narrowly defeated Thomas Settle after a most dramatic campaign that drew thousands to public debates.]

Memorabilia of Salem Congregation, 1876

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

The work of the American Tract Society was also brought to our notice again by its efficient Agent for North Carolina, Rev. R. A. Moore, who occupied the pulpit on Sunday 6th and again on Sunday 13th of Feb., rain and icy pavements having prevented the attendance of many on the first occasion. A collection amounting to \$29.82 was taken up for the Tract Society, with the labors of which we are certainly in sympathy, and which deserves our hearty support.

Our Salem Bible Association has continued its work as an auxiliary of the American Bible Society, and on Sunday, Apr. 30th, the annual sermon was preached by the esteemed district superintendent for North and South Carolina, Rev. C. H. Wiley of Winston, and a collection taken up, amounting to \$34.60. This also is a cause which all should cheerfully support. Nothing can be more important than that the Word of God should be generally distributed throughout our land, so that there might be at least one copy in every house. The time of holding the annual meeting of the Association has been changed from Easter Monday to the evening of the last Monday in February, which measure, we hope, will tend to secure a good attendance.

The annual series of Choir Festivals, or Prayer Days, for the various divisions of the congregation commenced with that of

the Widows on Sunday, Apr. 30th. The attendance on these Festival days has generally been good; but we would again draw attention to the fact that the preparatory services in connection with these Festivals are of importance; and especially the first service on the morning of the Festival Day should receive more general attention in order that the full benefit of these special seasons of refreshing may be obtained.

On Sunday, July 2nd, our services had reference to the prominent feature in the history of this year, the fact, viz., that 100 years had elapsed since the Declaration of Independence was signed by the members of that illustrious body assembled at Philadelphia in the year 1776, which laid, under God, the foundation of our national prosperity as "free and independent States." Centennial celebrations of various kinds on the anniversaries of remarkable events in our revolutionary history had been held in many places; and on May 10th an extensive Centennial Exhibition, in which all of the leading nations of the world, and many others, united with us in displaying the progress of the arts during the century, was opened at Philadelphia with appropriate ceremonies by the President of the United States in the presence of many eminent men, citizens and foreigners, among whom we may name especially the Emperor of Brazil, the chief State of our Sister Continent of South America.

During the summer and fall many of our members and other citizens of Salem and Winston visited the International Exhibition at Philadelphia, the Pastor also being enabled to do the same by the kindness of those who united in giving him the pleasure of a Centennial trip. It certainly called for gratitude that the large number who made the excursion at one time or another all returned in safety to their homes, altho' some had suffered from illness, and others made, in at least two instances, remarkable escapes from injury and death. Yet here it is with sorrow and regret we find it our painful duty to record an exception in the case of our late, lamented Bro. Elias A. Vogler, who having been taken severely ill at Philadelphia, was only able to return home to die. Surely "God moves in a mysterious way," and what He does we know not now. As Treasurer of this Congregation, our late Brother filled an important office, the duties of which, though peculiarly onerous, were discharged by him efficiently and with pleasure.

[T]he year has been signalized by a very closely contested presidential election, the complications resulting from which have not yet been finally settled. We are encouraged to hope, however, that the common sense of all good citizens, the interests of the whole country, and above all the over-ruling Providence of God, may so guide our affairs, that the New Year may bring an increased and ever increasing degree of prosperity to our beloved country, and a more general acknowledgment of the Divine goodness and consecration to God's glory. "Happy is that people that is in such a case; yea, happy is that people, whose God is the Lord!"

The annual meeting of our Congregation Council was held on the first Tuesday in May, and several adjourned meetings were held in July. At these last our Rules for Lovefeasts and Funerals were revised and amended, and printed copies were subsequently distributed among the members. There are still copies on hand, which can be obtained by our communicant members from the Pastor or Treasurer. It is important that all should know the existing rules with reference to these matters.

On Thursday, July 27th, the annual Sunday School Picnic was enjoyed by the teachers and scholars, and many of their parents and friends. A Christmas Entertainment was to have been given on the evening of Christmas Day, but owing to the very deep snow, it was postponed.

The Elm Street Sunday School has likewise continued its good work, and has also enjoyed its Picnic, and had its Christmas Entertainment on the afternoon of Christmas Day. The usual Mid-summer and Christmas Entertainments have been held in our Female Academy, and the public Examination of our Male Academy was also held at the usual time here in the church. All of our various schools continue to deserve the gratitude and the prayers of our members and of all who are interested in the proper education and training of the young.

Our celebration of the Christmas Festival was somewhat marred by the very inclement weather, a deeper snow having fallen than has been seen here for 20 years. Indeed the present winter has been unusually severe, for whereas it was necessary to import a cargo of ice last spring from the North and some of the ice houses were filled with snow, we have this winter already had an abundance of ice packed away, and the cold weather continued so long that the ice on our ponds became nearly 6 inches thick.

For the celebration of the Christmas Festival, our church was again decorated with festoons of evergreen above and around the pulpit and pillars beneath the gallery, and the sacred words of the song of the angels on the night of the Nativity, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men," appeared in letters of evergreen on the panels of the balustrade around the galleries. The snow storm continuing all day Sunday, Christmas Eve, some were doubtless prevented from attending the Lovefeasts, but quite a number of the children were brought to their Lovefeast at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock and taken home afterwards in carriages, and as it ceased snowing in the evening there were some also in the large Lovefeast, at which there was also a good attendance of adults. On Christmas Day we also had the usual service, altho' a fall of sleet having made the streets still more nearly impassable, many were detained at home.

Salem Diary, 1876

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Albert L. Oerter.]

Sat., Jan. 1. New Year's Day. Weather still very mild and spring-like. Grass is reported growing and strawberries blossoming.

Sun., Jan. 9. Another beautiful day. At 10 A.M. Rev. Reid of the M.E. Church, from the Commission Rooms in N.Y. City, preached to a good audience. At 1 P.M. there was S. School, and at 7 P.M. the closing service for the Week of Prayer. Bishop Foster, M.E. from Cincinnati, who presided over the Conference of the M.E. Church (North) held last week in Winston, was present and delivered an address. Rev. Dr. Reid of N.Y. read Ps. 72, and Bishop E. A. de S. made the closing address. Revs. Albea and Heitman offered prayer, as did also Bishop Foster. Br. O. gave out the hymns, and made opening remarks. The church was crowded, and we trust all present received a blessing.

Wed., Jan. 12. It has become quite cold. Ice must surely be forming rapidly.

Sun., Jan. 16. The weather is milder, a slight shower this A.M.

Wed., Feb. 9. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting with smaller attendance than usual, some having gone to a lecture.

A Mr. Tripp is delivering a series of lectures on "Europe since 1848" this week in the Academy Chapel. They are quite interesting and instructive.

Sun., Feb. 27. [Br. Oerter] kept the evening service, preaching the first of a series of sermons to the young and those undecided in religion, to be continued on Sunday evenings during this Passion season. May they and all the services of this solemn season, upon which we have entered this day, be richly blessed to old and young!

Wed., Mar. 1. Cloudy with a little rain. Gardening has begun, as the weather is mild. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting, with small attendance. It was a Passion singing-meeting, as we propose to have on Wednesday evenings during this season.

Mon., Mar. 20. This A.M. we awoke to find the ground covered with snow, which was still falling, and continued to do so, followed by sleet and rain during the day. There was a high, cold wind also, and so we had the first heavy fall of snow when we had thought the winter past. As the fruit trees were pretty far advanced, there will be a failure again in the fruit crop, as there was last year. Several of the ice-houses were filled with snow, as no ice had been secured.

Mon., Apr. 17. (Easter Monday.) At 10 A.M. Br. E. A. de S. kept the annual meeting of Salem Bible Association, with small attendance. The day is a very unsuitable one. After this the annual meeting will be held on the last Monday in February in the evening.

Mon., May 1. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. O. kept the monthly missionary prayer meeting. No brethren attended except Br. E. A. de S. and the Sexton, probably owing to the Election for Town Officers.

Wed., May 10. Opening of the "Centennial" at Phila., Pa. Sr. Yates celebrated her jubilee, and Br. O.'s little daughter her 4th birthday.

Sun., May 14. During the P.M. a train of 8 cars arrived on the R.R. containing some 20 tons of ice which had been imported from the North by several parties.

Sun., June 11. At 10 A.M. Br. E. A. de S. kept the Litany and preaching. Attendance tolerable. At the close, a collection was taken up for the building of a new Moravian Church at Mechanicstown, Md., amounting to \$23.50.

Wed., June 14. Br. E. A. de Schweinitz and family left us this A.M., with the [railroad] cars on a visit to Pennsylvania. We trust that his health, which has been failing for some time, may be benefited by the change. Quite a large number of our brn. and srs. have already gone to visit the Centennial Exhibition or World's Fair at Phila., and more intend going, so that Salem will have been well represented by the time the Exhibition closes.

Sat., June 24. This A.M. Br. O. attended a meeting in the Meth. Ep. Ch. at Winston, in connection with a conference of the Greensboro District of said Church. He applied for some of their ministers to preach for us tomorrow.

Sun., June 25. At 10 A.M. Br. O. read the Litany, and Rev. P. L. Hermann of Thomasville preached. The audience was not very large, owing to the absence from town of a number and sickness of others. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Rev. A. V. Sharpe, agent for the colleges of M.E. Ch. in N.C., preached to quite a good audience. The discourses were both of a good, practical character, and, we trust, may not have been without a blessing to all.

Sun., July 2. The Board of Elders having resolved that the services on this day should refer to the Centennial Anniversary of the United States of America, Br. O. preached at 10 A.M. on Ps. 100. Rev. W. W. Albea of M.E. Church offered the prayer. The service was introduced by an appropriate choir piece. The attendance was large. The weather was rather threatening, but the sun came out just before preaching. In the P.M. there was a heavy thunderstorm, but the rain ceased before evening, and the church was crowded for the Centennial praise meeting at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, the hymns for which had been printed. Rev. Joyner of M.E. Ch. offered prayer, and Rev. Johnson of the Presb. Ch. made an address. Br. O. read the Scripture lesson, and Br. M. E. Grunert pronounced the benediction. A decoration had been put up behind the pulpit consisting of a shield with the inscription "The Eternal God is our Refuge" (Deut. 33:27), placed in a solid arch of oak leaves. The old American flag with 13 stars and the present flag were draped above, the former pointing to the date 1776 on one side of the arch, and the latter to 1876 on the other side. The British flag was draped below the shield. We trust all may have been encouraged to praise and serve the Lord in the new century of our national

existence, while thanking him for his goodness displayed in so many ways to our land during the first.

Tues., July 4. At 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. Br. O. kept a prayer meeting in the church. Br. M. E. Grunert offered the closing prayer. There was quite a good attendance. At 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. a procession was formed in Winston, and marched, or rather, drove to our public square, where a stand had been erected and decorated with evergreen festoons, etc., and a bell of evergreen decked with flowers, the clapper being formed of *Tritoma cearia*. In the procession one car conveyed the goddess of Liberty, another 13 young girls representing the original 13 colonies, and another 37 others representing the present number of states. The Exercises in the Square consisted of music by the Band, a speech by the President of the Day, R. L. Patterson, Esq., prayer by Rev. F. H. Johnson, pastor of the Presbyt. Ch. in Winston, reading of the Declaration of Independence by Fr. H. Fries and of the Mecklenburg Declaration by H. T. Bahnson, M.D., an oration by Robt. T. Gray, Esq., and benediction by Br. O. There was a very large number of people in town, but very good order prevailed all day. In the P.M. a large number of the young men of Salem and Winston paraded as Fantastics, with a bogus elephant, Indians, Chinese, etc.—all very well represented and very humorous. In the evening there was a display of fireworks, and several balloons were sent up. Thus the 100th Anniversary of American Independence was celebrated in a befitting manner; and we trust the observance of the day may have helped to increase a genuine love for our favored land, and a desire for her true welfare. May the Lord, in mercy, turn us unto Him as a people, and cause his face to shine upon us!

Tues., July 11. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the Congregation Council met to hear the reading of the accounts by the Treasurer. There is a surplus this year of nearly \$1,000. Up to last year there was for several years an annual deficit. The Lovefeast Rules, as revised by the Board of Elders, were amended and adopted, and will be communicated to the Congregation. Other matters were broached, but as it was late Council adjourned to tomorrow evening, after prayer meeting.

Wed., July 12. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. O. kept a short prayer meeting, and then Congregation Council met and continued the discussion about a method of announcing the time of funerals, and the procuring of carriers or pallbearers at funerals. It was resolved that the first bell be rung one hour before funerals, so

as to give timely notice. The pastor engaged to notify the chief Sexton, organist, and leader of the band of the hour set for a funeral as soon as he knows it. It was also resolved that a list of all male members under 65 yrs. of age be made, and given to the chief Sexton, who shall select from it in rotation six bearers who shall be required to serve, or furnish substitutes who must also be members. With regard to the privilege of burying on our graveyard, a resolution was offered amending the rule as now observed, but as action cannot be taken at the same meeting in which such a change is proposed, Council adjourned to meet again next Tuesday at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. ([Margin note:] Br. E. W. Lineback resigned his place in Board of Elders.)

Tues., July 18. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. the Congregation Council met again, and resumed the unfinished business of last meeting. A resolution was passed restricting interments to members of our own church, or those whose husbands or wives are members.

Thurs., July 27. The S. School and some of the parents and other friends of the scholars had a picnic today at the same place as last year (Nath. Blum homestead on Brushy Fork). The day was very fine, and all enjoyed it greatly.

Sat., July 29. This evening Br. Schweinitz and family returned safely to our midst from Pennsylvania.

Wed., Aug. 16. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. After it was over, the Sexton, Br. Wm. Vogler, handed him an envelope, heavy with its valuable contents. On opening which, he found a handsome amount of money with a note saying that it was from some of the members who wished him the pleasure of a Centennial trip. It is needless to say that he was much surprised and gratified, and wished the kind donors many blessings from above.

Thurs., Aug. 17. The usual quiet of our town was interrupted by the "speaking" of the rival candidates for the Governor's chair, Vance and Settle, in our public square. The proceedings continued with enthusiastic cheering and music from 11 A.M. till 4 P.M.

Sun., Aug. 27. A fine day for the Brethren's Festival. For some reason, unknown to the pastor, there was no "blowing" from the steeple. ([Margin note:] Sickness of several of the blowers.)

Wed., Aug. 30. At 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. Some strangers (coatless) from the country came in. No one

knew them, but they behaved well, and we trust came not in vain.

Thurs., Sept. 14. Br. O. left for Pennsylvania with two of his sons.

Sat., Oct. 21. At 10 P.M. Br. O. arrived at home with his two sons after an arduous journey from Pennsylvania. The rest of our members who had been visiting the Centennial have also returned in safety to their homes—a matter of great thankfulness to the Lord.

Sun., Oct. 29. At 1 P.M. there was S. School. Some of the seats in the church have been fixed on hinges, so as to admit of being tilted forward, thus making room for a chair for the teacher of a class in the S. School. A platform for the Infant Class has also been made in the large room upstairs. At 7 P.M. Br. O. preached to a small audience. The south half of the church was almost empty. Where were the missing ones?

Wed., Nov. 15. At 7 P.M. Br. O. kept the prayer meeting. The Sisters' side was nearly full, the brethren's ———.

Sun., Nov. 19. At 10 A.M. Br. Chs. Kremer, pastor of Fourth Moravian Church in Philadelphia, Pa., kept the Litany and preaching.

Tues., Nov. 21. This evening we experienced a merciful preservation from fire, as Br. Chas. Winkler's home caught, from a stove in the third storey. Fortunately the window curtains caught (after the ceiling had been set on fire by a basket of quilt patches on a tile stove), and thus the alarm was given by those who saw them burning. The family being at supper, the fire might have gained so much headway as to have destroyed the house and perhaps others in this neighborhood.

Sun., Nov. 26. At 7 P.M. Br. Chs. Kremer, who has been taking a collection among our members for the building of the Centennial Thank-offering Church in Philadelphia, preached to a good audience.

Thurs., Nov. 30. Thanksgiving Day. The earth and all things were covered with snow this A.M., the 4th of the season.

Mon., Dec. 4. Another cold day. Teams busy in all directions hauling ice, of which there will be a good supply gathered this year.

Sun., Dec. 10. (2d Sunday in Advent.) A very cold day. Br. O. kept both services, Litany and preaching A.M. with smaller audience than usual, and in the evening reading from the "Acts of the Last Days," etc., the portion referring to the 2d coming of

the Son of Man, interspersed with hymns, as in the Passion Week. The choir sang at the beginning.

Sun., Dec. 24. (Christmas Eve.) A deep snow had fallen and continued to fall all day, the wind drifting it very much. There has not been such a deep snow for many years. There was a good attendance, considering the weather, at the Litany and preaching kept by Br. Wurreeschke at 10 o'clock, and also at the Lovefeasts, that at 4½ P.M. kept by Br. E. A. de S., and that at 7 P.M. by Br. O.

Sun., Dec. 31. ([Margin note:] At the close of the preaching a collection was taken up for the Mosquito Coast mission, where there is great suffering in consequence of a terrible hurricane. The collection amounted to \$42.50.)

Diary of the African Church in Salem, 1876

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Emil A. de Schweinitz.]

Sun., Jan. 9. Methodist Episcopal North colored ministers, members of the conference assembled at Winston, preached.

Sun., Jan. 16. Since Christmas the S. School is much better attended than heretofore. Br. Lewis Hege is again able to hold meetings at night of a Sunday.

Sun., Apr. 16. Easter. At 9 A.M. prayed Easter Morning Litany on graveyard before the Church, then read Acts of the day and then preached. A very large congregation present. The colored band likewise.

Sun., Sept. 17. Preaching at 2 P.M. Other duties prevented Br. E. A. de S. from holding meetings more frequently.

Sun., Nov. 5. Preaching at 2 P.M. S.S. superintended by Br. Lewis Hege. The 2 white teachers of colored Day school take part in teaching.

Sun., Nov. 26. Br. C. Kremer of Philadelphia preached at 2 P.M.

Mon., Dec. 25. Christmas. At 7 P.M. Christmas meeting. Lovefeast and candles for S.S. scholars and because the weather was bad and the attendance not as large as expected, lovefeast for all. A Christmas tree was also lit up. The snow at Christmas and New Year made attendance at meeting very difficult.

Salem Congregation Council, 1876
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Tues., May 2.

The pastor stated that in accordance with the resolutions passed at the last meeting he had written to members living at a distance whose address he had been able to ascertain and in some instances had received responses in which they expressed the desire to continue their membership and their willingness to pay their dues, while others had not responded.

Various questions arising upon the subject of invitations to lovefeasts, especially where only one, either the husband or wife, were communicant members of our church, it was moved and carried that "In cases of couples where only one was a member, upon his or her application a members' ticket shall be issued for the other, and the charges for lovefeast expenses shall be collected the same as though they were both members." The pastor, Bro. Oerter, also requested to be relieved from the duties of selling the tickets for admission to lovefeasts. This, with the other questions upon the same subject was referred to the Board of Elders, who were requested to report a series of resolutions upon the subject to the next meeting of Council.

Tues., July 11.

The Board of Elders to whom had been referred the questions in regard to the rules respecting lovefeasts, submitted a series of resolutions, which after extended debate and various amendments, were adopted as follows.

The Board of Elders, having been requested at the last meeting of the Council to revise the Lovefeast Rules, submit the following Resolutions, being the original Rules adopted by the Council, May 5, 1868, with subsequent amendments and additions. [The Lovefeast Rules were adopted by a meeting of the communicant members on Apr. 2, 1868, and endorsed by the Board of Elders on May 5, 1868.]

1st. Lovefeasts are private meetings, intended only for those whose names are found on our Church Catalogue.

2d. Communicant members of sister churches, and such only, may be invited to our general Lovefeasts (subject to §8, 9, 10).

3d. Tickets of invitation can be procured by communicant members of our Congregation only, whose names must be endorsed upon such tickets.

4. Guests will hand their tickets to the Sextons at the door of the church.

5. The Lovefeast on Aug. 13. shall be a Communion Lovefeast.

6. To Communion Lovefeasts such guests only shall be admitted as desire to partake of the Holy Communion following the Lovefeast.

7. Members of other Moravian Congregations shall, upon application, be furnished with free tickets.

8. Children not belonging to the Congregation, but attending our day schools, may attend the Lovefeasts at the Children's Festival; also our general Lovefeasts, if tickets are procured for them; but those from our Country Congregations shall be admitted free.

9. The case of Teachers and Scholars of our Sunday Schools, who are not members of our Church, may be referred to the Pastor by the Superintendent.

10. The Pastor may issue a limited number of invitation tickets.

11. In case of a married couple, of which one only is a member of our church, upon his or her application, a permanent Lovefeast Ticket shall be issued to the other, and the regular charges for Lovefeast expenses shall be collected from them both.

12. A Lovefeast shall be held annually, as was formerly done, for all those brothers and sisters, who, in any wise, temporal or spiritual, are engaged in the service of the church; both as an encouraging acknowledgement of their services, as as an opportunity for a profitable interchange of thought.

13. The sale of Lovefeast Tickets shall be in the hands of the Treasurer of the Congregation.

This matter being disposed of, the chief Sexton made complaints of the difficulty in procuring a sufficient number of pall-bearers at funerals.

The subject also of some distinctive announcement of the hour at which funerals were to take place was also proposed, and likewise the request was made by the Board of Trustees for some definite instructions from Council in regard to the right of burial on our graveyard of persons not properly belonging to

our church. Considerable discussion arising upon these questions and the hour being late, upon motion Council adjourned to meet again tomorrow (Wednesday) evening at 7 1/2 o'clock.

Wed., July 12.

[T]he subject "Announcement of the hour at which funerals are to be held" was taken up. During the debate upon the subject, various propositions were submitted, and [it] was finally disposed of by the adoption of the motion "That the Sexton will ring the bell one hour before the commencement of the funeral services."

The difficulty heretofore experienced in obtaining persons to carry at funerals was next brought forward, when the following motion was made, seconded, and carried: "That a list of the male members of the Congregation up to the age of 65 years be made and handed to the Sexton, who from this list will call upon persons to assist in carrying at funerals, without regard being had to the Choir system, and members when thus called upon are expected to comply or furnish a substitute, which substitute must be a member of the church."

Moved further: "That this list be prepared by the Board of Elders, and they also draw up a suitable preamble, which with the resolutions in regard to Lovefeasts and Funerals be printed and distributed among the members."

Upon the subject of interment in our graveyard, much debate ensued and the motion was made that Sec. 2 §D of our by-laws be amended by the insertion of the following: "In the case of a married couple, of which only one is a member of our church, upon his or her application, the other can secure burial upon our graveyard and other Church privileges (Communion excepted) by payment of the regular church dues from and after the ratification of this act."

The motion prevailed, that this resolution be made the order of business for another meeting of Council, to be held next Tuesday evening, July 18.

Tues., July 18.

The minutes having been read and amended, were adopted, the resolution introduced at last meeting being in order, the following was offered as an amendment thereto.

Resolved that interments in our graveyard be restricted to members of our congregation, or to husbands or wives of

Circular.

To the Members of the Congregation at Salem.

DEAR BRETHREN :

WHEREAS, at a meeting of our Congregation Council, Wednesday July 12th last, the difficulty met with in obtaining the services of brethren as bearers at funerals, was brought forward, as well as the fact, that the hour appointed for a funeral service is not always generally known ; and

WHEREAS, it is proper that we should all take an interest in the Christian burial of our dead, and assist, in as far as we may be able to do so, expecting once ourselves to need the same services at the hands of others, and

WHEREAS, the resolutions adopted by the Council appear to offer a fair and practicable arrangement of these matters, at least for the present,

THEREFORE, according to the duty laid upon us, as your Board of Elders, we now present to your notice the resolutions adopted at the recent meetings of the Congregation Council, with reference to Funerals, and those also that refer to our Lovefeasts, trusting that all, in the spirit of true brotherly love, will support the action of the Council.

FUNERALS.

1. *Resolved*, that a list of the male members of the congregation, up to the age of 65 years, be made and handed to the chief Sexton, who from this list will call upon persons to assist in carrying at funerals, without regard being had to the Choir System,—and members, when thus called upon, are expected to comply, or furnish a substitute,—which substitute must be a member of the church.

Salem Regulations: With a "suitable preamble," as directed by the Salem Congregation Council, the newly revised funeral and lovefeast regulations were printed in 1876.

members in cases where only one of a married couple is a member, provided the person for whom application is made shall not formerly have been a member of the congregation and dismissed from its communion, and provided further that at the time of making application for such privilege, the sum of Twenty Dollars shall be paid to the Treasurer. Out of this sum shall be paid the sexton's charges for digging and fixing up the grave, and the cost of the tombstone unless the relatives prefer to furnish the same, in which case five dollars of the amount shall be refunded, when this condition is complied with. The tombstone to come within the prescribed size of 20 x 24 inches.

This amendment was proposed to be still further amended by making the charges for burials \$50.00 instead of \$20.00.

After discussion the question being called upon the last amendment, it was lost and the amendment as originally introduced was adopted.

Board of Elders of Salem Congregation, 1876

[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Wed., Feb. 2.

1. The matter of providing better accommodations for the Sunday School was broached and discussed. Either the Chapel might be enlarged and perhaps another story added, or the present Boys' School building be altered, or another locality found, provided sufficient means can be commanded. The discussion was merely introductory.

Wed., Mar. 8.

Nothing further has been done in the S. School project.

4. As it is said that there is to be another ball after Easter, or later, the Pastor will ascertain how it is.

5. It is said that Br. Aug. F. Rogge keeps liquor on sale in his house; he will be told to give it up at once if it is so. Br. O. will also speak with Br. S. Mickey, about his wine vault.

6. Br. John Vogler Jr. is again in a very bad way. Perhaps it would be best to confer with his father.

Wed., Apr. 5.

1. The Single Bro. John Vogler, having again been guilty of gross misconduct, must be excluded.

Tues., June 13.

2. On the Sunday preceding July 4th service will refer to the National Centennial.

3. The Lovefeast Question having been carefully considered, the Chairman will reduce the opinion of the Board to writing as a report to the next Congn. Council, to be held the 2d Tuesday of July.

Fri., June 30.

Board met to consider the propriety of having our National flag, with others, used in the decoration in the church next Sunday. The opinion was that no reasonable objection could be made to a limited number of flags.

2. A prayer meeting will be held in the church on Tues., July 4th, at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock A.M.

Thurs., July 6.

Board was chiefly occupied in hearing from Br. Jas. Lineback, Supt. of the Sunday School, what improvements were desirable in the accommodations for our S. School, and in surveying the Church and premises with reference thereto. A separate room for the Infant Class and several smaller classrooms should be provided if possible, but further consideration of plans is necessary.

Tues., July 25.

At the meeting of Cong. Council on Wed., July 12th, Br. H. W. Shore was elected a member of this Board in place of Br. E. W. Lineback, resigned.

The Lovefeast and Funeral Rules were adopted and are to be printed.

Tues., Aug. 1.

1. Br. H. W. Shore took his seat as a member of this Board.

2. A list of Communicant Members up to 65 yrs. of age has been prepared for the use of the Sexton in procuring bearers at funerals, according to the Resolution of the Cong. Council. It was revised by the Board.

Tues., Aug. 15.

1. A difficulty having arisen between the organists as to the division of the salary, Br. O. will see whether the matter cannot be adjusted.

2. On the Sunday School question a Committee of 3 is to be appointed, consisting of Br. Jas. Lineback (the Supt.), 1 member of this Board, and 1 of the Board of Trustees. Br. M. E. Grunert was appointed from this Board.

Tues., Sept. [blank].

1. A married man, Edw. W. Dillon, who works in Br. C. A. Hege's machine works, has applied for membership. He has made a profession in the Method. Ep. Ch. in Winston. Br. O. will inquire about him of Br. Hege and others, as he is a stranger to us.

2. It is reported that the Single Br. Edwin Shouse has run away in consequence of illicit intercourse with a female. Br. O. will inquire into it.

Tues., Nov. 21.

1. The Board is favorably disposed as to the admission of Edw. Dillon, but thinks it would be well for him to inform himself a little of our church affairs first, and that we also should become better acquainted with him.

2. Br. Edw. Shouse has *not run away*, as reported, but went to an uncle of his in Indiana.

Tues., Dec. 19.

1. There will be a collection on Xmas Day for the Mosquito Coast Mission, which has suffered severely from a hurricane.

2. Coffee as well as tea will be provided for the Children's Lovefeast on Xmas Eve.

3. Br. Thomas Spach and family have moved to Salem, and are transferred to this cong. from Philadelphia.

Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, 1876
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Mon., Jan. 10. Bro. Leinbach absent.

A letter from Fidelity Co., Phil., was submitted by Treasr. in reference to the sale of mortgages ordered by Board.

The Board thinks it necessary that the business letters of the Office should be copied and directs the purchase of a letter press and book, and as Treasr. has a good one he would sell,

Board [orders] its purchase and a book from Messrs. Blum or elsewhere.

Board agrees that those streets that we yet wish cleaned out, for instance First Street from Spruce to Fries Plank Road, and from High to First St., should now be attended to and the trees cut low on the stump and sold at dead timber rates.

Messrs. Fogle Bros. ask whether the lease or contract entered into by them and A. N. Reich with this Board on May 1, 1873, for 3 years would be extended so they could continue their brick-making in the bottom beyond the creek. Board is willing to extend the contract at same rates.

Bro. A. Spach is requested to attend to the taking down of the Church decoration and whatever plunder there is in the Church garret that he thinks will be of no use hereafter, to have it taken down for fire wood.

Mon., Feb. 7. Bro. Blum absent.

Since last regular meeting a called meeting was had and a contract made with Mr. William Barrow to cut out timber on certain streets in Winston, viz., Spring St., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ St., the extension of Poplar, Spruce, Pine and Cherry St., and that he is to pay \$1.00 per cord for all the wood thereon. In pursuance of this the Treasr. has laid off said streets, and Mr. Barrow is now cutting the timber.

Treasr. was authorized to pay Rev. E. P. Greider \$10.00 from the Charity Fund for the benefit of Widow Hy. Stoltz and \$5.00 for old Priscilla Holland, a member of the colored Congregation.

A certificate from the Fidelity Co. for the \$8,500.00 new U.S. registered bond was read.

Mon., Feb. 21. Bro. H. W. Fries absent.

Treasr. reported having received interest on Government bonds and Penna. state loan, and that he now had \$3,500.00 on hand and on deposit for investment, but the present rates on all public securities are too high, and Board prefers not to invest at present.

Bro. H. W. Fries was prevented from attending the meeting tonight and sent a communication (see file) in reference to the condition of the springs west of Winston in our Reservation, and offers that if the right of way is given to him to lay pipes and use a portion of the water from said springs, that he would

save the springs from further destruction by filling up the chasm, conveying the accumulating water in rains around in troughs, etc., and that what timber he might require in making these repairs he might take in our woods. Board is fully agreed to Bro. Fries's proposal.

Mon., Mar. 6. All present.

Bro. Oerter asks the Board to advance to him \$250.00 and that he will pay \$20.00 per month from his salary until the advancement is repaid. Board after some deliberation conclude that as an advancement of salary they would have the right to do it, and direct Treasr. to pay the asked for \$250.00 to Bro. Oerter.

Complaints have been made about the lounging around on the graves, in our Graveyard and the gathering of young people, mostly strangers to us, in crowds and behaving very improperly in the Graveyard. Bro. Leinbach submitted a series of resolutions asking for a discontinuance of said annoyances, and Board directs said resolutions to be printed and posted about in the Graveyard and alley and also to be sent around in Salem and Winston.

Dr. Keehln, Wm. Gibbins, and some more ask about locating a road from Liberia (viz., Happy Hill) to the Main Road near the old Shepherd place. The Board thinks that the present road through there is good enough, and that it will be time enough to lay out another whenever lots shall be laid out farther into the woods.

Mon., Mar. 20. Brn. Blum and Spach absent.

According to the agreement at our last general meeting the Board visited the land and lots along Cemetery and Belews Creek Streets. Board agreed to change the lots not yet taken alongside of the Cemetery and Fogle Bros. lot by continuing the 40 foot street from Belews Creek St. between lot No. 175 and No. 176 southward to the Cemetery, and to close that part of Wood and Cemetery Streets, west of the first named 40 ft. st. that is yet unnamed. Likewise the street on the west along Fogle Bros.' original line, and then make 3 lots facing east instead of 2 facing north as heretofore intended. The lots will probably measure about 102 by 180 feet and be sold at \$8.00 per M.

On the extension of the Cemetery St. beyond the RailRoad as also along Belews Creek Road, lots will be laid off as they may be wanted. . . .

Treasr. reported that he had settled with the Treasr. of the Town Commissioners and had received 3 years rent for the Commissioners Hall to Apr. 30, 1876, being \$90.00, and also for the land at Quarry \$41.25, and the check taken from Dr. Keehln \$112.85. He paid our Cong. Town taxes \$45.00 and S.S. Diacony \$11.38.

Lots near A. V. D. Leigh (Sheppherd place) and Sunny Side are again applied for. Board is in no hurry to lay off lots there without some plan, and doubts whether the parties applying would pay any thing worthwhile for such lots, therefore defers action.

Mon., Apr. 3. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

Treasr. next reported the result of his calculations about the sale of land and lots, etc., in preparing the Tax List. The amount of land laid off in streets, to be deducted, etc. Deducted for streets 41 acres and 30 poles. For land and lots sold 171 acres altogether, 212 acres to be deducted from the 942 acres listed last year, leaving 730 acres on hand. Cash on hand and on deposit to be listed \$3,761.60. Taxable notes and investments \$3,200.00, and we have of investments that are not taxable \$23,225.00 in U. S. bonds, and we have \$640.00 in cash legal tender notes.

Mr. J. L. Fulkerson asks for a loan of \$5,000.00, offering to pledge as security a \$10,000.00 life insurance policy. Board spoke about it but arrived at no conclusion.

Mon., Apr. 24. All present.

As to Bro. Fulkerson's application for a loan, Board does not feel itself at liberty to accede to his request, as the resolution of Council restricts them to investments in good public securities.

The Water Co. asks the privilege of getting several trees to make a slaw, which was granted, Board preferring the trees should be taken if possible out of streets that are to be cut out.

It appears that the Boys School has made a very heavy deficit the past year, and the Sustentation Board of Finance ask of this Board assistance to cover deficiency. Board is willing for the present to appropriate the amounts on the credit

side of the Education Fund \$67.32, together with the interest which will be due April 30 \$22.44, a total of \$89.76, to be thus appropriated in accordance with the wish of the donor of said fund, viz., in paying the schooling of poor children of the Congregation.

Mon., May 1. All present.

Mr. Hodgin, Treasr. of the Winston Board of Commissioners, has paid Treasr. \$48.03 on acct., being all they have on hand in their treasury, which still leaves over \$100.00 still due the Board.

The subject of making further investments next engrossed the attention of the Board, and after a careful examination into the rates of sundry bonds and other subjects for investments, the Board directs the Treasr. to make the following investments through Messrs. Drexel & Co. Bankers, Phila., Pa.: To purchase \$3,000.00 of North Pennsylvania Rail Road 7 per cent bonds now selling at 107 $\frac{1}{2}$, and also \$3,000.00 of Lehigh Valley RRoad 7 per cent bonds now quoted at 110, and that hereafter the Treasr. shall make his deposits north with Drexel & Co., and to ask them what interest they will allow us on deposits.

Wed., May 3.

Board met to organize. All present. At Cong. Council held last evening the Brn. Dr. J. W. Hunter and H. W. Fries were re-elected for 3 years. Dr. J. W. Hunter was again re-elected Chairman and E. A. Vogler Secretary and Treasurer.

Mon., May 15. Bro. E. T. Blum absent.

Treasr. submitted a letter he had received from the Fidelity Co. acknowledging an error of \$74.25 he had pointed out to them, where they neglected to credit us that amount. Also 2 letters from Messrs. Drexel & Co., the one acknowledging the receipt of \$6,602.80 on account, and the other giving acct. of the purchase of \$3,000.00 Lehigh V. RR. bonds registered 7% at 109 and commission for buying \$7.50, total \$3,292.50. They write further that they will allow but 3 per cent interest on deposits and that only on an excess of \$3,000.

The female collector of semi-annual Church accts., Sr. Susie James, resigns. The Board thinks that a Single Sister had better be again appointed to attend to it and that Sr. Lavinia

Williams would be a proper person if her services can be obtained. Treasr. is instructed to see her.

Board directs the purchase and placing in the Archives a copy of the map of Salem and Winston recently published by E. A. Vogler.

Mon., May 29. Bro. H. W. Fries absent.

Sr. Lavinia Williams has consented as collector of Single Sisters' Church Accts.

A bill of \$11.65 from Wm. T. Vogler for 2 years attention to the Town Clock was presented and ordered to be paid.

\$10.00 was paid a short time ago by Bro. T. B. Douthit for burying his mother on our Graveyard. Miss Mary Smith, a member of the Methodist Church, had also been buried there today, and the Board spent some time in speaking about the propriety and necessity of being more exclusive, and confining burial on our Graveyard to members of our Church; or if any departure is made at all from that, to be confined to cases where most of the family are members of our Church. This subject will [be] further acted on at a future meeting.

Bro. H. W. Fries sent word by Bro. Pfohl that he had been offered some No. Ca. RR. bonds, 1st mortgage bonds, which he thought could be bought at par and were considered in the market as first class securities, and if Board wished to purchase some he would try to get them for them. Treasr. reports that he would have about \$1,500 at his disposal here and north, and Board directs the purchase of the three of the No. Ca. RRd. 1st mortgage bonds of \$500.00 each if to be had at par. In case these are not to be had Treasr. shall purchase another one thousand 5% registered U.S. bond.

Bro. Fries has gone North and has been furnished by Treasr. with all necessary papers to obtain our bonds on deposit with the Fidelity Co. in Phila. and Drexel & Co., and will bring them back with him. A properly authenticated paper will also be prepared and sent to the Treasury Department of the Government at Washington, asking that our interests be hereafter forwarded direct to us.

Treasr. reported that he had paid up the \$400.00 note held against us by Sr. Eliz. Spach with \$24.60 interest, this being the last of such individual notes held against us.

Mon., June 12. Bro. H. W. Fries absent.

On unfinished business it was reported that the purchase of NCRR bonds had not yet been effected, that Messrs. Drexel & Co. had bought for us the \$3,000.00 North Penna. R.Rd. 7% registered bonds at 108 $\frac{1}{2}$, being \$3,255.00 and \$7.50 for buying, total \$3,262.50.

A bill of \$244.55 from Fogle Bros. for repairs at the Sisters House, Widows House, Negro Church, Boys School House, etc., was presented and ordered to be paid.

Bro. E. W. Leinbach again came before the Board and asked whether the Board would be willing to entertain his application for an advance of his salary as organist, that he would prefer if this Board would arrange it than to place it in hands of Council. He stated that he wanted a salary of \$250.00 and explained at some length to Board the increase and present amount of labour required of him. During the discussion reference was also made to the services rendered without compensation by the Church Choir and Musicians. After Bro. Leinbach withdrew the Board took up his application and by a unanimous vote agreed to pay him the \$250.00 asked for as salary.

Bro. A. Spach stated to Board that Dr. C. J. Watkins on behalf of the Building Committee of the Winston Baptist Church asks whether they could borrow our old church benches for a few months until they could furnish their church, promising to be responsible for their return in good condition. Board expresses its willingness to extend this aid.

Treasr. read over a list of accts. of old and long standing on the ledger which Board ordered to be disposed of as follows: 31 cents for years against Tract Society to be balanced by Profit and Loss. The accts. against Christn. Ruede \$26.89 from 1841, Chas. Bahnson \$3.38 from 1866, Lewis Butner \$1.75 from 1866, S. G. Hall \$2.65 from 1861, J. D. Teves \$9.44 from 1868, A. B. Butner \$8.76 from 1858, to be placed to Desperate Debt Account. The Eml. Reich \$500 to be charged to Wm. Gibbins if not heretofore transferred.

Mon., June 26. All present.

Bro. H. W. Fries has brought to us from Phila. our various bonds that we had on deposit there, leaving our mortgage yet in hands of Fidelity Co.

Treasr. submitted a list of our present investments of capital, showing as follows:

\$19,500.00 in United States bonds
5,000.00 in District of Columbia
4,000.00 in Pa. State loan
2,000.00 in Phila. City Loan
6,000.00 in Lehigh V. RRd.
3,000.00 in North Penn. RRd.
3,000.00 in mortgage in Phila.
9,396.94 in individual notes

being a total of interest bearing capital of \$51,896.94.

Continual applications are made for lots to be surveyed and sold out of the Winston Reservation. Board again declares that for the present none will be sold.

It is recommended by Treasr. and agreed to by Board that it would be well to mark the No. of lot on stakes and drive well into the ground on such lots as we have still to sell and scattered around.

Treasr. next reported that he had fully closed and balanced the books to the close of the fiscal year Apr. 30, 1876, and submitted his various statements of accts. and balance sheets. Through the interest now accruing on our investments, we are at last in such financial condition as to have an excess of receipts, where for a number of years there was an annual deficiency. The balance sheet shows more receipts than disbursements of \$1,029.02. From this amount is deducted the debit on Profit and Loss acct. \$93.20, which arose partly by selling of mortgages, etc., leaving a balance of \$935.82 to be credited to Profit and Loss.

Board now directs that \$300.00 of the balance be paid to J. T. Leinbach, Treasr. W. Sust., as a donation to help cover the deficiency of the Boys School, which from his report will make a loss of from \$700.00 to \$800.00 the past year, and for which the Financial Board has asked help.

This will leave \$635.82 still excess of receipts.

The statements and balance sheet of Single Sisters Diacony show an excess of receipts for past 2 years of \$331.07. Board orders the excess to be placed to Profit and Loss. Also to transfer the credits on Great Girls room acct. \$47.15, House library 85 cents, and Lydia Fogle \$2.45 to credit of Profit and

Loss, and to charge to Profit and Loss accts. of Vogler & Co. \$145.60 and Boner & Crist \$495.78.

Further that the amount due S.S. Diacony on our books may be paid by Treasr. by getting a certificate of deposit from Bank for amounts due S.S. Diacony \$440.50 and Single Srs. Poor Fund \$239.67, whenever convenient in cash.

Mon., July 10. The Brn. Blum and Fries absent.

Sr. Eliza Starr, the present sick nurse at the Sisters House, thinks she cannot continue in her present position under the existing arrangement and present compensation, and gives her reasons at some length. After some discussion Board agrees that she fills the office acceptably and that her present compensation is insufficient. They therefore authorize Treasr. to increase her wages hereafter to \$1.50 per week.

Sr. Pfohl having departed this life since our last meeting, her daughter Sr. Mary Landquist asks about her family remaining here in the [Warden's] House. There is considerable property in the House, beside our Office, that must be taken care of by someone, and as Sr. Landquist has always had her home here and is acquainted with everything, the Board is willing that they continue to occupy the House and is disposed to make favourable terms, but as several of the Board are absent tonight the subject is postponed for further action to another meeting.

Mon., July 24. Bro. A. F. Pfohl absent.

Treasr. stated that he had paid the taxes to the Sheriff, the Congregation tax being \$152.38 against \$225.38 last year, a deduction of \$73.00, the rest about the same as heretofore. Also that he had received from Bro. H. W. Fries the three \$500.00 NC Rail Road bonds, for which he had paid Bro. Fries \$1,528.00, the \$28.00 being for accrued interests.

As to Sr. Landquist renting the [Warden's] House, Board is disposed to make the terms moderate in consideration that she takes care of our property, and fix the sum of \$1.00 per week as the rent to be paid weekly or monthly.

Some conversation ensued about extending the limits of our Graveyard.

Mon., Aug. 7. The Brn. Fries and Pfohl absent.

Treasr. submitted a list that he had found enumerating the property in the [Warden's] House belonging to this Office as

also to Bro. Pfohl, as made out by Sr. Pfohl during her lifetime several years since, which was read and ordered to be filed.

Disagreement reported as existing between the Brn. Alex Meinung and E. W. Leinbach on the question of organ salary, Board answers that they have nothing to do with it, and that it belongs to the Board of Elders.

Treasr. is directed to notify persons owing for land and lots and who do not pay the interest on their notes when due that if they do not attend to it more promptly the principal will be required.

Mon., Aug. 21. All present but Bro. Pfohl.

A communication addressed to the Chrmn. by the Board of Elders was communicated. It related to the providing of better accommodations for the Sunday School during winter and suggested that a committee of 3 should be formed, one to be the Superintendent of the S. School, one chosen by the Board of Elders, and one by the Board of Trustees, to look into the matter, devise plans, estimate expenses, etc., and then report to a joint meeting of the 2 Boards. The Elders had appointed Bro. Grunert, and this Board appointed Bro. H. W. Fries.

The pavement in front of the Widows House is in bad condition and needs entire relaying. Some part of the pavement near the Chapel likewise needs repair, and Bro. Spach is directed to try to get brick from Bro. Ed. Spach or S. Snyder and have said pavements repaired and also try to get brick enough to have the Graveyard walls extended northward.

Lucy Holt applies for help for Sarah Holt, a daughter of Washington Holt, who was a member of Hope congregation. Said Sarah is sick and destitute and will probably die with consumption. It is thought that Dr. Bahnson attends to her as her physician, and he will be asked to supply her urgent wants to the extent of several dollars, to be paid out of the Charity Fund.

The name of Charles A. Winkler does not appear on the Church Catalogue. Treasr. has been informed by Bro. Grunert that his recollection is that he had years ago requested his name to be stricken off. The recent action of Council in relation to burials on the Graveyard hereafter now makes it proper and necessary that a proper and authentic record be kept of all names dropped or dismissed from Church communion, as the

resolutions express it, and the Pastor will be asked to report on this subject.

Tickets to Lovefeast if not used cannot be returned, as Lovefeasts are prepared according to the number expected.

Mon., Sept. 4. [Handwriting is E. A. Vogler's to this point.] Brn. Pfohl and Lineback absent.

Dr. Bahnson declines disbursing for Sarah Holt, and Treasr. paid \$2.00 to Bro. Lineback for her benefit, with which coffee, sugar, flour and meat was procured.

Some colored persons asked leave to haul rock for the Winston streets from our land, but this cannot be allowed, as we shall want them for our streets.

Mon., Sept. 18. Brn. Lineback and Fries absent.

The reading in the minutes of rock hauling on streets caused the statement to be made by Treasurer that the permission heretofore given to the Town Commissioners of Salem to haul gravel from the hill south of the Shallowford Road, beyond the Fries Plank Road Fork, had led to the opening of quite a quarry, and that instead of taking gravel from the surface, rock had been quarried and a large excavation made, which would injure the sale of the ground for building lots. Board directs that a stop be put to it.

Several members of Friedberg Congregation living within 3 miles of Salem near Pleasant Fork have been erecting a Moravian Church and are in need of help and appeal to the Board for assistance. On reference to the Charter the Board find that they have a right to make a donation here, but prefer to do so through Wa. Sustentation. The Treasr. was instructed to hand to Bishop de Schweinitz the sum of twenty-five dollars as a donation in aid of said enterprise.

Mon., Oct. 9. Brn. Fries and Blum absent.

The appropriation of \$25.00 to Eden Church can be entered in Expense Acct., and in the annual statement may be specified as a donation or extraordinary expenditure.

Tues., Oct. 17. Bro. Blum and Secretary absent. Bro. A. F. Pfohl was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The subject of arranging the Church for the better accommodation of the classes of the Sunday School coming under

consideration, the board adjourned to the Church, the better to determine what alterations could be made. After various suggestions, it was agreed to have certain pews, say four or five, under the north and south galleries, at proper intervals, hinged, so as to tilt forward, thus admitting a chair between the pews and enabling the teacher to face the scholars. Raised seats for the infant class were also directed to be constructed in the upper room of the east addition to the Church.

Application came from Bro. D. Z. Smith, pastor of Friedberg, for some benches for the new Moravian Church called Eden. Board was only willing to lend the benches for a time, provided they could be used without cutting them.

Mon., Nov. 20.

Members of Board all present, but the chair of the Treasr. and Secretary was vacant. Death had removed from our midst our Bro. Elias A. Vogler, on Nov. 17th. In view of this dispensation the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved: That the Board of Trustees deeply feel and mourn the loss of our departed Brother, Elias A. Vogler, the Treasr. of our Congregation, and Secretary of this Board.

The active and faithful services of our deceased brother eminently entitle him to our grateful remembrance, and whilst we feel that his usefulness here has come to sudden and unexpected termination, we know that to him has been granted an entrance into eternal rest.

Resolved: That we sincerely sympathize with the family and friends of our departed Brother.

Board now proceeded to business.

The members of Salem Literary Society, desirous of giving a public entertainment, find themselves unable to procure a suitable hall, and make application to this Board to relieve the Salem Music Society of the condition imposed at the time that their building was erected, which restricts the use of the hall to musical exercises. (See minutes of Jan. 1857, Oct. 6th, 1856, and Aug. 6th, 1849.) On motion of Bro. Fries, it was agreed that for this special occasion permission to use the Music Hall for the purpose named above be granted, in so far as this Board has authority in the matter.

Mention was made that Bro. Chas. Kremer, pastor of the fourth Moravian Church in Philadelphia, was at this time visiting Salem, making collections for the building of his

Church edifice, and although not applying for a contribution to the Board, would nevertheless be very thankful for some assistance. Board declined making any appropriation.

As the front fence of the Graveyard extension is about being built, it was thought best to place a small entrance gate at the N.W. corner of the new enclosure. The newly enclosed portion is to be fallowed and prepared for sowing in bluegrass.

Bro. Jas. T. Lineback was requested to act as Treasr. and Secretary of the Board. He consented to do so, provided he would be allowed to use an assistant in the office. Board saw no objection to such an arrangement.

Mon., Dec. 4. Bro. Hy. Fries absent.

Board directs that Streets Four-and-a-half and Fifth may be cut out upon same condition that other streets have been cleared, and Fogle Bros. can have the contract.

The table and reading desks and chair formerly used in the Sisters House prayer hall, and which are now standing unused in the garret of that house were presented to the new Moravian Church called Eden, and the benches of that hall may be used there too, but are only to be considered as a loan.

Bro. S. T. Mickey offers to sell wine to Board for Communion purposes at 95¢ per gallon, and Bro. Spach was advised to get a supply.

Mon., Dec. 18. Bro. E. Blum absent.

The Treasurer mentioned that he had been instructed by the Financial Board of the Southern Province to offer for sale to this Board a five hundred dollar United States coupon bond belonging to Wa. Sustentation. Board agrees to take the bond, at quotation of Saturday Dec. 16th, 1876.

Provincial Financial Board, 1876
[Extracts of minutes transcribed.]

Fri., Jan. 28. Brnn. Grunert and Rights absent.

1. Br. Benjamin Leinbach applies for a cooking stove. The one bro't from Mt. Bethel is not fit for use, especially not adapted for baking purposes, and yet the bake oven at Bethabara is so large, dark and inconvenient that Sr. Leinbach

is not able to manage it. Board granted the application, the cooking stove not to exceed \$25 in price.

Tues., Mar. 7. Br. Rights absent.

1. The cooking stove for Bethabara cost \$26. On motion the additional one dollar was allowed.

2. Since the last meeting, a letter has been received from Br. Gustavius Reichel, Chairman of the Wardens Department in U.E.C., in reference to the transfer of the property of Wa. Administration to Wa. Sustentation Diacy. Agreeing with the general principles contained in Br. E. A. de S.'s letter to the Wardens College, Br. Reichel makes the following proposals as a basis of transfer.

1. Stock and land investments. Let them be sold for the benefit of Warden's College as soon as practicable. Hence these are not to be counted into the items to be transferred.

2. Notes and bonds and solvent credits. Let them be classified into 3 grades, viz.: a. absolutely good, b. doubtful, c. lost. On a. absolutely good, a discount of 10% is proposed, and the rate of discount to increase in proportion to the insecurity of the notes in schedule b., and to rise to 100% in those in schedule c.

3. Land. All the Land in N.C. for \$20,000 without a resurvey, or at \$5 per acre after being resurveyed.

4. Administration House and Lot in Salem is offered for \$3,000 or to be retained for the present, and then sold to highest bidder for account of Warden's College.

5. Land in Illinois. 240 acres is offered for \$2,000, present selling price according latest advice being \$15 per acre.

6. To be admitted to Expedition [for the expedience] of Wardens College, after the transfer, the proceeds of sale of Administration inventory and any monies due said Expedition Office.

The Financial Board was hardly prepared this evening to go into a thorough examination of this very important matter. A free discussion took place, and the difficulties and obstacles in the way of a satisfactory arrangement and final settlement just and equitable for both negotiating parties became very

clear and evident the more the subject was considered. As Br. Reichel invites counter propositions of Financial Board, the following proposals were agreed to as preparatory to more detailed negotiations.

Financial Board accepts the general form of Br. Reichel's proposals in name of Wardens College of U.E.C. But in:

No. 2, instead of 10% proposes 15% discount on first class notes, etc.

No. 3 Land: \$3 per acre are proposed after a resurvey instead of \$5. This reduction seems absolutely necessary considering the expense and risk incurred by assuming the property. Board would be willing to make a cash payment of \$10,000 in advance, but not to *pledge* itself to a greater annual payment than \$1,000 over and above the yearly interest on the whole sum due at the rate of 4.5%. The needs of our Sustentation Diacony are such that we cannot offer better terms. Granting that the final settlement between the two institutions may be considerably delayed, nevertheless by our proposals the Wardens College at once is relieved from all further risk and expense, and put in the receipt of a regular income and payments on principal.

The Land in Illinois: whether it should be taken at \$2,000 as offered or sold for account of Warden's College was left undecided.

Finally, in answer to a remark in Br. Reichel's letter, it was, as a matter of course, decided that the whole business of this transfer must be conducted on the basis of American currency, as no other is admissible.

Fri., Apr. 21. Brnn. Rights and J. Fulkerson absent.

2. A motion was made and carried to make our appeal to the Board of Trustees for help, based on the fact that at present the Moravian Male Academy is a source of yearly and considerable loss to Sustent. Diac. Treasurer was charged with this matter.

Thurs., Aug. 3. All present.

1. The Board of Trustees have granted \$300 on the application (§2, [Apr. 21]) made to them, and furthermore transferred the interest accumulated on the Education Fund in their book to Sustent. Diac.

2. A letter from Br. G. Reichel, Wardens College, of May 4, 1876, in reply to the counter proposals of the Board was communicated. Our proposition of 15% discount on good notes and bonds is accepted, provided the original amount of upwards of \$26,000 is retained and 30 percent discount are offered on all doubtful notes and bonds. Four dollars per acre is the price demanded for the land. After considerable discussion of the whole matter, a motion was made to adhere strictly to our original proposals, and of course not to go down in the amount of good notes and bonds below \$26,000, if it is possible, after a careful investigation, to retain that amount in 1st class.

3. Treasurer laid before the Board the annual account and statement of Wa. Sustentation Diacy. from June 1, 1875, to May 31, 1876. With a regular contribution of \$3,000 from S.F.A. the account of receipts and expenditures shows a surplus of \$600.20, which on motion was transferred to the Provincial Fund. The investments bearing interest amount to \$28,323.23.

Tues., Dec. 12. Br. Rights absent.

1. Treasurer cannot pay the current expenses of Sustentation Diacy., as he has not, owing to the greatly reduced contributions of Salem Female Academy, a sufficiency of funds in hand. It was proposed and seconded to sell at once a \$500 U.S. Bond to supply the Treasurer with the necessary funds to meet the most pressing demands.

Bethania Diary, with Bethabara, 1876

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Eugene P. Greider.]

Sat., Jan. 1. For the last week we have had rainy and cloudy weather and unusually warm for the season. The New Year was ushered in by the trombones and the singing of hymn No. 562: Now let us praise the Lord. It was suggested to have no preaching on this morning. Engaged all morning in arranging various records for the year. Sr. Greider visited several families in the lower part of town.

Sun., Jan. 2. The New Year sermon was preached at 10½ o'clock. The Sunday school was reorganized for the New Year, and at night we opened the week of prayer. A good attendance.

Wed., Jan. 5. Wrote out an extract from my annual report for the columns of *The Moravian*.

Tues., Jan. 11. Felt weary and discouraged. Visited a few in town.

Sat., Jan. 15. Having announced on last Sunday that a class would be formed for catechetical instruction today, 9 young persons, 6 males and 3 females, presented themselves for this purpose. ([Bethania Report:] Done the same at Spanish Grove on last Sunday, but no one remained. The idea of remaining after preaching to be instructed in Christian doctrine is by no means popular. It is becoming as little children to be converted, and this they do not relish.)

Sun., Jan. 30. During this day no less than 10 covered wagons loaded with tobacco passed through town, regardless of the day of the Lord.

Thurs., Feb. 3. Indifferent health, cold weather and bad roads hindered from attending [Ministers] Conference today. Visited in town in 3 shops and 5 families.

Sat., Feb. 5. Instruction and Committee meeting occupied all afternoon. ([Bethania Report:] The following was agreed upon to be laid before a Council of the congregation. Resolved that any member of the church who has not contributed towards the support of the church for over two years forfeits his or her right to free burial on our graveyard, unless excused by the Committee. The catalogue was reviewed and one name stricken off.)

Mon., Tues., Feb. 7, 8. Engaged at home in various ways. Called at the stores and shops. Roads bad. Weather dreary.

Sat., Feb. 12. Instruction at noon. Two boys were ordered to go out on account of giddiness and inattention. ([Bethania Report:] something I have never yet been required to do at any other place. It really seems as though the young people of this congregation have no idea of their duty, and parents are as indifferent as they.)

Mon., Feb. 14. Came home this morning in the rain. At noon received a letter from Prof. Reinke, Bethlehem, announcing Edwin as in bad health. Arranged to start for Pennsylvania . . .

Tues., Feb. 15. . . . this morning, but heavy rains during this morning early hindered me from going today.

Fri., Feb. 25. Reached home from a trip to Bethlehem to see after Edwin. After consultation with the faculty of the College and Seminary, brought Edwin home with me.

Sat., Feb. 26. The close of the day school with an exhibition at Pleasant Ridge took the young people out and hence no instruction.

Sun., Feb. 27. The morning service was well attended. Read an extract of our discipline touching the duties of parents to their children and added some remarks.

Sat., Mar. 4. At noon made fire in the church for the purpose of having instruction, and at 1 o'clock rung the bell, but no one came. The class has gone visiting.

Sun., Mar. 5. The house of God at Bethania was honored with a large congregation of worshippers. A number of members from the country were present.

Sun., Mar. 19. Preached at Bethania at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock to a more than ordinary congregation. Br. R. P. Lineback from Salem rode into the yard after the ringing of the second bell as I was going into the church to conduct the services. He was not asked to preach as he was too late for such an arrangement. At 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ I left Br. Lineback to take care of himself and proceeded to Crooked Run, where I preached at 3 o'clock. Every seat in the house was occupied.

Wed., Mar. 22. ([Bethania Report:] Engaged in teaching my son Paul, a new duty required of me since the beginning of this year. Our professor has abandoned his calling, much to the injury of our community. If our people appreciated education as much as they do their stomachs it would be otherwise.)

Sun., Mar. 26. Public worship at the usual hour. Attendance good. Sunday School at 1 o'clock. Edwin is now teaching the boys class. We now have a Sunday School with a male teacher, thus removing the last of three anomalies in this congregation, viz.: a house without a kitchen, a church without a stove, and a Sunday school without a male teacher.

Tues., Apr. 4. Visited at Wm. Grabs and made an estimate of amount of subscriptions for this year: \$205.

Tues., Apr. 11. Felt unwell but called to see Sr. Grabs, wife of Wm., who is suffering from a morbid enlargement of the breast supposed to be a cancer, which Dr. Siewers from Salem [is] engaged to remove tomorrow. In view of the trying circumstances, we on this evening at the close of the meeting commended her to the Lord in prayer and the singing of a hymn.

Wed., Apr. 12. Sr. Grabs was operated upon this morning and is doing well.

Thurs., Apr. 13. [Maundy Thursday.] Reading at 1 1/2 o'clock followed by the Lord's Supper. [A] collection was taken up at the door for the Church at Mechanicstown, Md., amounting to \$5.25.

Sat., Apr. 15. A number of the brethren came together to get out the timber for fencing and repaired all day. Not yet finished.

Sun., Apr. 16. Easter. Graveyard services at 5 1/4 o'clock. Preaching at 10 o'clock, well attended.

Wed., Apr. 19. Visited families in town, sick and well. ([Bethania Report:] Sr. Grabs, wife of William, who had an operation performed and is now doing well.)

Sat., Apr. 22. Sr. G. attended a baby birthday supper at Ruf. Reich's.

Mon., Apr. 24. Visited Wm. Pratt. Received wheat of him, \$2, Bethabara subscription for 1875.

Sun., Apr. 30. Preaching at Bethania. Congregation small, about 40 hearers. Sunday School as usual. Services at the African Church at 2 o'clock. I opened and closed the meeting, and Edwin¹ preached his first sermon there and offered the closing prayer.

Sun., May 7. The dogged insubordination of several boys who are *forced* to attend Sunday school is not encouraging. Something must be done.

Sat., May 20. At noon wife and I visited Jon. Conrad and I imparted instruction to six young men. Two of them married. ([Bethania Report:] The rising generation of this community, though generally well behaved at the meetings, are the hardest and least plastic of any I have been appointed to work upon, though I hope a few may be found to give themselves to the Lord and his church.)

Wed., May 31. Church cleaning. A want of mental energy and bodily strength interfered considerably with my duties during the past month.

Sat., June 10. Committee meeting at 2 o'clock. ([Bethania Report:] One candidate for baptism and several for confirmation were approved by the Committee, but the Phila. 4th

¹Edwin Carpenter Greider went into the ministry and served in the Moravian Church, principally in the West Indies, for forty-two years. He retired to Winston-Salem, where he died February 5, 1933. He was consecrated bishop of the Moravian Church on June 27, 1900, at Nazareth, Pennsylvania.

Church enterprise is not approved. Improvements at home are urgently needed and call for Centennial Offerings.)

Sun., June 18. Preaching at 10 o'clock. Adult baptism and confirmation followed. Bohemian mission collection: \$9.10. Council meeting at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. ([Bethania Report:] 30 present. The resolution passed by the Committee on the 5th of Feb. was approved by the Council, and 13 brethren signed the Brotherly Agreement.) Lovefeast at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ followed by the Lord's Supper. 120 souls partook of the Lord's Supper. The Lovefeast was numerously attended. The choir sang in the opening and while partaking of lovefeast.

Sun., July 2. Centennial discourse at 10 o'clock: The Birth of the American Republic, the Inauguration of a New Period. A fine shower of rain afternoon. Meeting tonight. Three Thank Offerings of \$2 each have been made for the 4th Phila. Church. The enterprise does not take.

Tues., July 4. Was spent in Salem to celebrate the day.

Sat., July 15. We have had hot weather all thro' July, 95° F.

Tues., July 18. Made a fence. An absolute necessity. Hot. Hot.

Sun., July 23. Bishop Hood of the African Methodist Church preached on the Hill this evening, and all Bethania went up to hear him.

Mon., July 24. Hood preached this morning again, but I did not go up.

Tues., Aug. 15. Felt languid and worthless and unfit for much.

Thurs., Aug. 17. Done a multitude of little things.

Tues., Aug. 22. The day was spent in getting Edwin ready for his return to Pennsylvania and in taking him to Salem.

Sun., Sept. 3. Children Festival. Children's meeting at 9 o'clock including the Sunday school scholars. At 10 preached on the duty of the parent. A number of children with their parents are in from the country. Lovefeast well attended. As usual I felt used up and had the headache from much speaking and of drinking sweet coffee. Had 3 addresses.

Thurs., Fri., Sept. 14, 15. Owing to the brittle and cloudy state of the weather the most of my spare time was frittered away in making and housing a little hay.

Sat., Sept. 16. Around home to get up a Committee meeting at noon, which was held at 3 o'clock. A day of mist and rain.

Sun., Sept. 24. Ten scholars in Sunday school. The congregation of worshippers small. Camp meeting at Maple Springs.

Sun., Oct. 1. Special sermon here at 10 o'clock which was repeated at Spanish Grove at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Here the attendance was ordinary. At Sp. Grove very large.

Tues., Oct. 3. At the present time my mornings are mostly taken up in providing for horse and hogs, gathering corn, grass, etc.

Fri., Oct. 6. Suffered with fever and noises in the head.

Sat., Oct. 7. During the afternoon my road from the yard to the street was thoroughly repaired by several town members.

Sun., Oct. 8. Festival for Married, Widowers and Widows. First meeting for the Choirs at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Services for all at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Collection for foreign missions: \$8.00. Lovefeast and Communion for all the communicants at 1 o'clock. The bona fide portion of the congregation present. The young people, especially males from the country, are in attendance upon a big meeting at Mt. Tabor.

Fri., Oct. 13. Had my sweet potatoes ploughed out, gathered them and packed them away and got ready for a trip to Stony Ridge.

Sat., Sun., Oct. 14, 15. Was spent with my family in visiting Wm. Spainhour, Edw. Butner and Frank Butner and their families and in preaching at Mt. Zion Methodist Protestant Church at 11 A.M. to a large congregation.

Mon., Oct. 23. Wood chopping day. No choppers from the country. Stauber's team hauled 9 loads.

Thurs., Oct. 26. Funeral of Sr. Grabs at 1 o'clock. A large congregation of sympathizing friends assembled. We will miss her much.

Tues., Nov. 7. Election Day. Quiet in town. Busy at home.

Thurs., Nov. 16. Wood chopping and hauling until noon by the country members who did not attend on the 23d of Oct.

Wed., Nov. 22. Butchered one hog weighing 316 lbs.

Thurs., Nov. 23. Crippled in my back. Mostly at home.

Sat., Nov. 25. The stove was put in the church today.

Thurs., Nov. 30. Thanksgiving. Preached a discourse at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock to a small congregation on the goodness of God. A snow, the fourth for the season, fell this morning.

Sun., Dec. 24. Christmas Eve. Snow. No preaching this morn. Continued snowing all day. Only a few families from the country. Meeting at 5 o'clock well attended for such

an unpleasant evening. The church is tastefully decorated. The choir and Sunday school scholars acquitted themselves satisfactorily. All present received coffee, and our Christmas was enjoyable.

Mon., Dec. 25. The snow has a crust. Started for Spanish Grove at 10 and reached the place at 12 o'clock. The attendance was small on account of the bad weather. But the children were there and enjoyed the celebration. All present received cake and coffee, and the children wax tapers.

Tues., Dec. 26. Yesterday the Pleasant Ridge Sunday School, organized this spring, also had a celebration. Edwin Petree presided.

Wed., Dec. 27. Engaged in butchering 2 hogs.

Fri., Dec. 29. Sleet and snow. The 7th snow for the winter.

Sun., Dec. 31. Very cold, 6 above zero. No preaching this morning. This entire month has been cold. More so in this month than for 30 years. Lovefeast for the congregation at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Reading of the Memorabilia at 10 o'clock and Midnight Watch meeting at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Entered upon the New Year 1877 with a prayer and reading of Texts and benediction. A clear, moonlit night brought a large number of people together.

Friedberg Diary, 1876

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of David Zeisberger Smith.]

Sun., Jan. 2. Complaint was brought against Br. Jos. Bruer having been habitually guilty of cursing and ill treating his wife on her deathbed. . . .

Fri., Jan. 21. [V]isited Br. Christian Spach. Met his son Wesley there, who is on a visit from the Indian Territory.

Sat., Jan. 22. Committee meeting. Br. Bruer was present, but as there was no one to enter complaint against him, the case was dismissed.

Sun., Feb. 6. [T]he Brn. Schweinitz, and Wurreeschke arrived from Salem to participate in our Home Mission Festival. Altho' it rained we were pleased that quite a number turned out.

Sat., Feb. 19. Today we celebrated our regular Communion season. At the request of a Committee Brother, the Committee was called together immediately after the preaching. Mention was made and some of our young Brn. went to shooting matches and even engaged in gambling at these places of

worldly amusements, and the Committee requested the pastor to read the rule in the Brotherly Agreement against these things and affectionately warn the Brn. from engaging in these sinful practices, and reminding them that should any persist in going to such places they would have to be disciplined according to the rules of our church.

Sun., Feb. 20. Before closing S.S. a prayer was offered up, Br. Crouch leading, and I made some remarks on the great revivals of Moody and Sankey. In preaching, which was well attended, the sermon was directed principally to the children.

Mon., Mar. 6. [W]ent to Miller's mill for feed, but as the mill was out of repair, went to Mock's mill on Muddy Creek, where I procured feed and bran.

Wed., Mar. 8. During the night there was severe storm of wind and rain, which did considerable damage in the country around. Some of our fences were blown down, and in the forenoon fixed them up again.

Wed., Mar. 15. [C]alled to visit Sr. A. Gardiner, who is supposed to be at the point of death. Returned to Friedberg at noon, but visited her again in the afternoon. At her request baptized her newborn infant. They live in what is called "the Rockhouse."

Mon., Mar. 20. In the morning there was snow on the ground, 3 in. deep, and still snowing, continued all day, gradually changed into hail and then into rain.

Wed., Mar. 22. Still cold yesterday and today, and the snow still on the ground. All the fruit no doubt killed by the cold.

Mon., Apr. 3. [C]alled on Dr. Osburn's, who lately moved into the old store stand. . . .

Fri., Apr. 14. Good Friday. A very good attendance at the meetings. ([Friedberg Report:] It had been particularly announced that the Reading meeting and preaching would be public for *all*, and I noticed a sprinkling of children and non-communicants also, a slight improvement on last year. The first year that I was at Friedberg none but communicants attended the services on Good Friday.)

Sat., Apr. 15. Went with the 3 smaller children to Muddy Creek to fish, but only succeeded in catching a few small ones.

Sun., Apr. 23. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock preached at Eden Schoolhouse to a pretty large congregation. After preaching spoke to the people in reference to the new church. They

are somewhat discouraged on account of the defection of some in whom they had placed high hopes.

Sun., Apr. 30. [In the afternoon] went to Pleasant Fork. Before preaching had occasion to reprove the young people for their frivolity. After preaching I held catechetical instruction. At the close of preaching I gave an invitation to any present who felt so inclined to join the class, but none remained. The class consists of 3 girls, Har. Hege, Abigail and Maria Spach.

Thurs., May 11. The Methodist minister, Rev. Philips, having requested an opportunity once to preach at Friedberg, today was the appointed day for that purpose. The church was crowded, and a number on the galleries. His text was 1 Pet. 1:20-21, which, however, he did not use as the foundation of his discourse, but rambled all over the Bible.

Mon., May 15. [W]ent with Sr. S. to Br. Danl. Spach's sen. and while absent the people came in for the celebration of Sr. S.'s 50th birthday to surprise her. 91 persons were present, among the rest the Brn. Rights, Linebach and Lichtenthaler, former pastors of Friedberg.

Tues., May 16. Br. S. started from Salem in the 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock A.M. train to go to the Synod of the Northern Province, to commence the 17th, and to visit the Centennial Exhibition at Phila. He returned from his trip Saturday evening, June 3d.

Sat., June 3. When I arrived at the Salem R.R. depôt, I found my two sons, Theo. and Hubie, waiting with the carriage to take me to Friedberg. After taking supper at Mrs. Keehln's we started for Friedberg, where we arrived at 9:30 P.M., thankful to find my family all well.

Mon., Tues., July 3, 4. Spaded in the garden. On the 4th the family went to Salem.

Wed., July 5. The children and our hired girl went to Theresa Wesner's [Weaver] . . . to gather blackberries, and returned in the evening with nearly a wash boiler full.

Fri., Sat., July 7, 8. Sr. S. pressed out blackberries for wine.

Sat., July 15. During the past week the weather was very hot. Therm. 90-95°.

Sun., July 16. Felt very sick in the morning. The attendance at S.S. and preaching was small, the weather being hot, and the people tired from hard work. In the evening I was so sick and in such agony, that the doctor had to be sent for about 10 o'clock P.M. to use the catheter, after which I had temporary relief.

Sat., July 29. Cloudy in the morning and towards noon settled into a quiet rain. The drought with us has been very severe, and almost all vegetation is parched up.

Sun., July 30. During the night we had a fine rain, accompanied with some thunder and lightning. Br. and Sr. Grunert came from Salem, and Br. G. preached. For the past days, besides laboring from weakness from my attack on the bladder, I have been severely afflicted with neuralgia in the face.

Mon., July 31. Theo. went to Salem for some medicine from Dr. Bahnson for me. Br. Lichtenthaler and Edw. Folz visited me, the latter bro't me some watermelons, which the Dr. recommended.

Sun., Aug. 6. I was not able to preach from the pulpit, and I addressed the congregation sitting at the table.

Sat., Aug. 12. We celebrated the 13th today. . . . The services nearly wore me out, and in the Holy Communion a Bro. lined out the hymns for me.

Sat., Aug. 26. Celebrated the Congregation Festival at Hope. About 60 persons present. I kept the meetings, as their pastor, Br. Lichtenthaler, is absent in the north.

Sun., Aug. 27. For the first time since my sickness, I attempted to preach standing. Went to Eden Schoolhouse and preached (sitting) at 3 o'clock in the afternoon to a large and attentive audience. . . . At the new church at Eden they have commenced to work, the frame being up, and the planks at the outside nailed on.

Fri., Sept. 1. Took my daughter Emma to Salem, who expects tomorrow morning to start with the train to her school in Knoxville, Md.

Sat., Sept. 30. [H]ad a woodchopping bee. Seven boys and Br. Mendenhall came, for whom we made a supper. As our domestic went away on a visit, Sr. Charlotte Miller assisted Sr. S.

Sun., Oct. 8. [W]hile I was inspecting the new church [at Eden Schoolhouse], the boys returned from Salem with a letter from the P.O. from Br. R. de Schweinitz at Bethlehem containing a check for \$23 as contributions from the North, which encouraged the brethren greatly.

Wed., Oct. 11. [W]ent to Widow Weaver's to pay my tax to the Sheriff amounting to \$3.98.

Sun., Oct. 15. After dinner went with Sr. S. to Eden, to the new church, to speak about the building of a pulpit. There is

no room for a pulpit, and therefore concluded merely to build a platform with a table and desk.

Mon., Oct. 16. In the forenoon went to Salem. Made application to the Trustees of the Salem Congregation for some of their old benches for our new chapel at Eden.

Sun., Nov. 19. A Congregation Council had been called for today in order to see what should be done about the periwinkle which is gradually getting the upper hand in the graveyard. On account of the small number of Brn. present (23) it was deemed better to adjourn. . . .

Tues., Nov. 28. Today had been appointed for general wood-getting day, but as it was snowing all day no one came. The weather was cold and uncomfortable, and we were out of wood. I was obliged to go out and collect some wood to keep up the fires.

Tues., Dec. 19. Went round by the new church (Eden) to Salem, making the necessary arrangements for the contemplated consecration next Sunday.

Sun., Dec. 24. As we rose early this morning to prepare for starting to the consecration of the new church at Eden, we found it snowing. After breakfast, having put the melodeon into the carriage, I started with Theodore, who was to play the instrument. As we passed by the houses at the wayside we sang and played our hymn tunes. When we arrived at Thos. Fishel's the snow was shoe deep, when the horse was put to a sheltered place, and I then proceeded to the church. After waiting some time, the ministerial Brn. from Salem, E. A. de Schweinitz, Grunert, and R. P. Lineback, arrived, but after waiting for some time in vain for an audience, we again adjourned to our respective homes thro' the snow storm. We arrived at Friedberg about 4 o'clock P.M.

Mon., Dec. 25. (Christmas Day.) Altho' during the night it had stopped snowing, still on account of the impassable state of the roads (the snow being over 8 in. deep) we had no meeting today at Friedberg, nor was it advisable to go to Eden either, where it had been arranged to keep a Christmas celebration in the evening.

Sun., Dec. 31. Today the weather was bright overhead, but still cold, and on account of the deep snow, there were only 6 persons present at the preaching besides the family. Text: Ps. 105:1. In this meeting we closed our services for this year, and on account of the impassable state of the roads, we did not

think it worth while to give out a meeting for this evening, as no one would turn out.

Kernersville Diary, with Friedland, 1876

[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Christian Lewis Rights.]

Sun., Jan. 23. It was so warm today we had no fire in the Church.

Mon., Jan. 24. Visited sister [Emma] Whicker again; she is still suffering severely. I noticed on the walls some pictures which struck me as being above the average, and I asked her mother who made them. She replied, "I did." "Where did you learn it?" I said. "At Salem," she answered. "Miss Belinda Senseman was my teacher." This lady's maiden name was McKinney. She is a widow now, in reduced circumstances, and lives with her two daughters in a little house of her own not far from the depot, and they support themselves by sewing.

Tues., Jan. 25. At night we had prayer meeting in our church, and the attendance was unusually good. Our Methodist friends claimed Wednesday evenings as their night. I proposed we would alternate, but they would not agree to it, and so I fell back on Tuesday evening, and our attendance has been better so far than theirs.

Fri., Jan. 28. ([Margin note:] Weather still warm. Pansies in bloom in the garden, and some cherry blossoms out. No snow this winter.)

Thurs., Feb. 17. Professor Bass, who is to take charge of the Methodist high school, arrived on the train tonight.

Sun., Feb. 20. A beautiful day, warm and balmy as spring. Went to Friedland and found for once a good congregation. [P]resented the subscription list for the support of the minister for this year, and asked the members present to come and put down what they were willing to give, and all present responded to the call.

Mon., Feb. 21. The Kernersville High School commenced today; eleven little boys and two girls ([Kernersville Report:] ranging from 5 to 10 years old) made the crowd.

([Kernersville Report:] *Sun., Feb. 27.* Circulated the subscription list among the members, and the amount subscribed is shamefully small. Dr. Kerner buys a four hundred dollar



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Two builders of the Moravian Church: Dr. Elias Kerner (left) was instrumental in constructing the Kernersville church in 1867 —without PEC approval—and the parsonage that followed in 1874. Elias A. Vogler renovated the Salem (Home) church in 1870 and in doing so, single-handedly abolished the tradition of seating by choirs: no center aisle to divide brethren and sisters.

piano and silk dresses for his daughter Ella, and subscribes \$5.00 for his preacher's support. As there is no prospect for his getting hold of sustentation money his zeal for the Church has pretty well evaporated, and his wife speaks of going back to the Methodists, where she came from, and says she never did care anything about the Moravians, and only joined to please him. Last fall at the Methodist meeting she and Ella did all the shouting. They out-heroded Herod, and beat the Methodists at their own game, and yet nobody has any confidence in their piety.)

Sun., Mar. 5. Preaching at Friedland, had quite a fair congregation. Went home with Mr. Lewis Mullican and took dinner. He is a newcomer in the neighborhood and lives on the place where brother Em. Reed died. His mother belongs to Hope.

Fri., Mar. 9. Closing exercises of the Free School in Israel Kerner's warehouse. Quite a number of persons were present.

Mon., Mar. 20. This morning the ground is covered with snow, and snowed all day, the most snow this winter.

Tues., Mar. 21. A cold northwest wind. The snow did not melt much. Ice plenty. Peaches all killed.

Tues., Apr. 25. At night prayer meeting, the brethren Nathaniel Kerner and William Weavil taking part. As we have the use of an organ now we have better singing, but we can't please our Methodist friends. We gave up Wednesday night for their benefit, and now more come to our prayer meeting than theirs, and they can't see any use of having two prayer meetings in one week—getting too religious.

Sun., May 7. Today we had a thunder shower. It is warm, and the leaves are more than half grown.

Tues., May 9. [A]t night prayer meeting in the Moravian Church. "Our School" numbers 26 children.

Wed., May 10. Sister Rights and Mrs. Lewis went to Greensboro—bought some bonnets for the girls.

Sun., May 14. Owing to the Methodists having appointed a quarterly meeting on my Sunday at Kernersville, I went to Friedland and preached. We took dinner with William Weavil, who has moved into the house during the past week. He is tending Weavil and Sides mill.

Sun., May 27 [28]. We had no bell this morning. The Methodists don't want us to have the use of the Academy bell any longer.

Thurs., June 7. Went to Trinity, heard Rev. Dr. Talmadge lecture, came home the same day.

Fri., June 8. The Brethren of the P.E.C. came to see us in the afternoon. Brother Schweinitz still seems feeble.

Sun., June 10. In the afternoon attended a called citizens meeting to discuss the Sunday School question. It was finally resolved to move the union Sunday School from the Methodist to the Moravian Church and have it in the afternoon.

Sun., July 9. At 9 o'clock the Union Sunday School met in the Moravian Church, about 60 persons in all. Mr. Calvin Roberts is superintendent. Last Sunday was the first time the school met in the morning, with 65 persons in all.

Sat., July 22. No rain, a long hot spell. Gardens are drying up.

Mon., July 24. Attended a protracted meeting about three miles from town carried on by a Quaker, Mr. Peel, and preached in the afternoon.

Wed., July 24 [26]. Went to Salem, heard Mr. Peel preach at night in the Methodist Church.

Mon., July 31. A good rain last night and Saturday night.

Thurs., Aug. 24. Clearing off the graveyard at Friedland and mowing off the weeds around the house; 28 men and boys were present.

Sat., Sept. 2. Went to Friedland and began a several days meeting.

Wed., Sept. 6. [O]ur meeting came to a close. Eleven penitents professed to have found peace since the meeting began.

Fri., Sept. 8. Came home. Attended the Methodist Church at night. A meeting has been going on here all the week by brother Helsebeck; 12 persons professed.

Mon., Sept. 11. I kept a meeting at 10 o'clock in our church. Several penitents.

Wed., Sept. 13. Meeting in the Methodist Church tonight, but services in ours in the morning.

Sun., Sept. 17. Went to Friedland; found the brethren there organizing a Sunday School. There was a respectable company.

Mon., Oct. 2. Dr. Kerner and family and Mr. Griffith started for the Centennial today.

Fri., Oct. 13. Sr. R.'s summer school closed.

Thurs., Oct. 19. Mr. Ray's normal school closed today. The candidates for state and county offices spoke here today.

Bro. Edgar I. Linebach from Bethania is one. He and his opponent, Mr. John Stafford, had some warm words, and Stafford attempted to draw a pistol but was prevented by the crowd.

Sun., Oct. 22. Preached at Kernersville in the morning and at night, and baptized two persons, Alexander Hasten and Arabella Hendricks. This makes nine baptized in a few weeks here and two at Friedland, 11 in all, 16 taken in at both places.

Mon., Nov. 6. Sr. Rights and Floy began the free school today.

Tues., Nov. 7. Quite a number of people came to the election, but all passed off very quiet.

Thurs., Nov. 16. At night a delegation consisting of 65 ministers and laymen and some women to the Christians Conference to convene at Salem Chapel tomorrow came up on the train and were quartered about in town. We had several women, one a dwarf, at our house overnight.

Fri., Nov. 17. Our guests left this morning, some ten wagons besides carriages having come from the country to take them off.

Sat., Nov. 18. Today there was a show in town, and a man went up in a balloon. There were a great many people here, but all quiet.

Mon., Nov. 27. Kept school today. My wife and daughter went to Bethabara on Saturday.

Thurs., Nov. 30. Thanksgiving. Snow. No one came to meeting. Very cold. Three snows in this month.

Sat., Dec. 2. A cold day. Everybody has quit work outdoors.

Mon., Dec. 4. ([Friedland Report:] Visited Maria Saloma Nissen. She has been confined to her bed for 16 years. She was once a member of our Church, but left and went to the Baptists, and in all her sickness I do not think the Baptist minister visited her one time, while I have been to see her frequently, and it seems to be a comfort to her, and she always begs me to come again.)

Sun., Dec. 24. This morning before day it began to snow and kept it up all day. Although it was my day to preach at Kernersville I had made arrangements to go to Friedland, as the Friedland and Cool Spring Sunday Schools wished to have a joint celebration. I accordingly went there through the snow, and found only one man and a boy there. We made a fire in the room and warmed ourselves, and after staying some time I

returned home. I found some persons had been at Friedland and decorated the church, and the intention was to have a Lovefeast on Christmas day, but all fell through.

Thurs., Dec. 28. Tonight we had our Christmas celebration [at Kernersville], and although it was snowing there were a number of persons from the country. We had the church decorated [with] two trees and arch and a fountain, and the exercises and singing went off well, and everybody seemed pleased, although it was a bad night snowing and sleeting.

Sat., Dec. 30. John Harmon's fountain in the church frozen up. Quite a number of country people came to see it yesterday, and consider it a great curiosity. Snow. Snow. Snow.

Sun., Dec. 31. The usual New Year night meetings were kept, and about the time we broke up it began to snow.

Reports of Philadelphia, Hope, and Macedonia, 1876
[Extracts transcribed; handwriting is that of Adolphus
Lichtenthaeler.]

January

Hope. On the first Sunday, Jan. 2nd, I was permitted once more to preach to this congregation, after having been prevented by bad weather from doing so for the last two or three months. Very few persons were present. On the 4th Sunday, Jan. 23rd, Br. E. A. de Schweinitz paid this congregation his annual official visit, which he was prevented from paying them last year by bad weather. He found a large congregation awaiting him, to whom he preached.

Macedonia. Previous to the holding of the communion [on Jan. 23], a collection was taken up for defraying the expense of purchasing wine for communion purposes; 80 cents were collected. The members of this congregation are very slow in paying up their last year's subscription, and all urging of them to do so without delay seems to produce no effect. The collectors try to do their duty to collect it, but the members are very tardy in paying. What shall be done to make them pay in more punctually in the future I know not.

February

The subscription lists for Phila. and Macedonia have been given out, with orders to have this matter attended to before

the close of the first quarter of the year; but I fear with poor prospects of these orders being complied with. The list for Hope will be given out on Sunday, March 5th.

Sat., Mar. 4. Today sixteen persons, four of whom were Friedberg brethren, came together at Hope for the purpose of fixing up the Hope Graveyard, repairing the fence, etc. With hard work, they succeeded by evening in putting the graveyard in a pretty good condition as to appearances, having raised the mounds, cleaned out the walks, etc.; but as the fence was in a very bad condition, and no material on hand for repairing it, it was thought advisable, should there be any money placed on deposit for the use of this graveyard, to employ some person to put a good fence around the same, and pay him for his trouble.

Sun., Mar. 5. At the close of [Philadelphia] service on my way back to Salem I stopped at old Mr. Daniel Houser's, where the first of a series of prayer meetings, inaugurated for the Hamberg neighborhood, was being held by Br. E. A. de Schweinitz. Br. Thos. Spach and myself assisted in the same. There was quite a good little company present. The next meeting of this series was announced to be held two weeks hence at Mr. Branch Brewer's nearby.

Sun., Mar. 12. Preached at Macedonia today. As this was the first service held here since the opening of the Lenten season, I opened the meeting with the reading of a portion of the Passion Week service, followed by the sermon.

Sun., Apr. 23. Was prevented from holding services at Macedonia today by a deep cold which I took a day or so ago and which settled upon my breast, making me feel too sick to go out to the church and preach. Had I gone out for that purpose, I was told afterwards, I would have found only four or five persons at the church awaiting me. It seems services three Sundays in succession is too much for the people, but a two or three weeks protracted meeting, where they can see and be seen, is easily borne by them. The starting of a Sunday School at Sheek's Schoolhouse may perhaps have been one of the causes of this slim attendance at the church.

Sun., May 7. Held services at Hope and Phila. today. Services at these two places, on the 1st Sunday in each month, hitherto held at Hope at 11 o'clock A.M. and at Phila. at 3 o'clock P.M., will during the summer months be reversed, Phila. taking the morning service and Hope the afternoon

service. This change was thought advisable to make those of the Clemmons-ville people who attend services at C. [Clemmons-ville] in the morning and wish also to attend at Hope, to do so.

Sun., May 28. In consequence of heavy rains during the morning the people attending services at my Macedonia Church were prevented from attending services there today. On my arrival at the church to hold preaching service, I found only four young men awaiting me. This . . . Macedonia congregation are still very backward in filling out the subscription list for the support of the minister for this year, the Steward and Assistant Steward complaining that they cannot get the members to subscribe. Many of them have not yet paid their last year's subscription.

Sun., July 16. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock I held a prayer meeting in the woods in front of Mr. Sander's on the Shallow Ford road, where seats had been prepared for the occasion. The attendance was good.

Sat., July 22. This afternoon a meeting of the Macedonia Committee members was held in the Macedonia Church, when Br. Richmond G. Sheek was appointed to act as Communion Steward until the next regular election of church officers, and the following resolutions were adopted for the observance of the members of the Macedonia Congregation, viz.:

Resolved I. That the Committee again call the attention of the members of this congregation to the following rules and regulations as found in the Digest of the Provincial Synod of 1856, viz.: Chap II, page 15, §17 [attendance at communion]; Chap. V, page 29, §44 [support of the minister]; Chap. VI, page 34, §51 [congregation rules]; Chap. VI, page 37, §56 [church discipline].

Resolved II. a. That of the above rules and regulations, that of Chap. V, page 29, §44, be now put into full force, and that any member neglecting or refusing to comply with the conditions as therein stated for the space of two years in succession renders himself or herself liable to the excluded from membership in the church.

b. That all members who have not been excused by the Committee from contributing towards the pastor's support must inform the Steward or the Assistant Steward before the close of the 1st quarter of each year of the amount they pledge themselves willing to contribute towards the support of their pastor during that year.

c. That the subscription lists be revised by the Committee after the 1st of January of each year, and all members who are found thereon to be delinquents for the term of years as just stated, unless prevented by some cause from fulfilling this portion of their duty, be excluded from church membership.

d. That time be given, until the 1st of January next to all such delinquent subscribers for the past two years of complying with the requirements of these resolutions.

Resolved III. That whereas the graveyard which is connected with the Macedonia church is the property of said church, having been duly ceded and deeded to the Moravian Church according to the requirements of law, and is therefore under its entire control and supervision, therefore,

a. That the written permission of at least $\frac{3}{5}$ of the members of the Macedonia Committee must be obtained, before a grave will be allowed to be dug on said graveyard for the burial of any person who is not a member of the Moravian Church.

b. That those persons to whom such permission is given to bury their dead on this graveyard thereby pledge themselves willing to render aid and assistance whenever called upon in keeping the place and the fence surrounding the same in good order and condition.

c. That the square in the SE corner of the graveyard be set apart for the burial of such persons for whom permission is obtained to be buried here.

d. That the permission papers be filed with the regular church steward, and the spot for burial be pointed out by some Committee member.

e. That a copy of this resolution be posted over the gate of the graveyard.

Resolved IV. That whenever a Church Council is held for any particular purpose, that said Council be held on a Saturday preceded by a regular preaching service.

Resolved V. a. That an annual assessment of five cents be placed upon each communicant member of the church for Communion purposes.

b. That the Communion Steward take charge of the wine, see to the furnishing of the same, and collect the amount annually assessed for this purpose.

Sun., July 23. Preached at Macedonia Church this morning. Text: Rev. 19:9. Very good attendance. The celebration of the Holy Communion followed, at which only 13 persons partook.

After a short interval for the purpose of allowing the people time to eat their dinner, the use of the church building was granted to a certain Mr. Lenert, a singing master, on condition that he confine himself to the purpose for which he desired its use, viz., the getting up of a singing class for instruction; that no singing was to be allowed, as any such demonstrations following the partaking of the Holy Communion was disapproved of by the officers of the church. In violation of this condition by those conducting the meeting, the pastor forthwith dismissed the people and locked the church doors.

August

Macedonia. On the 2nd Sunday in the month the pastor held the regular semi-monthly service for this congregation, and at the close read the resolutions of the Committee of this congregation, passed at a meeting held July 22nd.

September

During this month in the pastor's absence his appointments were kindly filled by Brethren E. A. de Schweinitz and R. P. Leinbach, the former holding services at Phila. on the 1st Sunday in the month, and the latter at the same place on the 3rd Sunday and at Macedonia on the 4th Sunday.

October

On the pastor's return from the North on the 13th inst., he was enabled to resume his duties and keep his appointments.

At Macedonia after the conclusion of the service [on Oct. 22] a Committee meeting was called in order to investigate the source of the recent trouble existing between the pastor and the congregation, caused by his action towards a singing meeting conducted by a certain Mr. Lennert in the Macedonia Church on the 23rd of last July. At the conclusion it was found that the difficulty originated from a misunderstanding as to the conditions agreed upon for holding the aforesaid singing meeting in the church. The subscription list matter was also brought up, and revealed the unwillingness of most of the members of the congregation to contribute towards the pastor's support, from a dislike taken towards him, the cause of which could not be fully learnt.

November

Macedonia. On Sunday, Nov. 12th, I preached to a very good congregation from Judges 10:15-16. On Sunday, Nov. 26th, however, there was a poor attendance, caused by most of the members of the congregation having gone to hear Mr. Wilson, the Methodist circuit preacher, preach his farewell sermon to his congregation at Olive Branch Church. The day was also a very cold day, which may have caused some to remain at home, there being but little comfort to be had on such a day at the Macedonia Church.

Fri., Dec. 8. I leave today for Davie Co., where I purpose holding regular semi-monthly service for the Macedonia congregation this coming Sunday.

Tues., Dec. 12. Returned from Davie Co. this evening. Held no service at Macedonia Church on Sunday on account of the extreme coldness of the weather preventing the people from coming out to the church. On that day the thermometer in the neighborhood of the church marked 3° Fahrenheit. During my absence I visited at the following families: Aug. Butner's, John Sheek's, John McBride's, Richmond Sheek's, Wesley Boner's, Mr. Michael's, and Carlos Strupe's.

Sun., Dec. 24. Snow falling fast all day, so that by evening it measured about 7 inches deep. In spite of this bad state of the weather, after dinner I rode out to the Phila. congregation to keep Xmas services, and on my arrival there found eight persons assembled for the purpose. Although few in number, the services were held, and in the absence of coffee in the Lovefeast, milk or water, according to choice, were used.

Statistics of the Moravian Church, Southern Province

1876

	Children	Communi- cants	Non-Com- municants	Total
Bethabara	21	42	5	68
Bethania	74	148	29	251
Friedberg	145	231	84	460
Friedland	17	45	9	71
Hope	5	13	5	23
Kernersville	12	45	6	63
Macedonia	8	49	1	58
Mt. Bethel, Va.	17	33	4	54
New Philadelphia	36	57	13	106
Salem	193	500	52	745
Salem Colored Ch.	12	24		36
Total	540	1,187	208	1,935

Land and Lots Sold by Salem Congregation, 1857-1876

[The following lists are compiled from three sources. *Sale of Town Lots & Parcels of Land* is the oldest, a small handmade bound volume 6 1/2 inches wide by 8 inches tall, leather spine, with a few account entries dated 1838-1840. Beginning about midway through this volume are lists of property sold, beginning March 13, 1857, and continuing to mid-1874. Most of the following lists are transcribed from this volume. The second source is *Record Book of the Secretary and Treasurer to the Board of Trustees of the Congregation of United Brethren of Salem and Vicinity*, a blue-lined 500-page ledger book, 8 1/2 inches wide by 14 inches tall, dated May 1874. It duplicates and continues the first volume's listing from September 1873 into 1876. To complete 1876 a third source was used, an untitled, undated, 113-page blue-lined volume, 8 inches wide by 13 inches tall.

Descriptions of individual plots should be on the deeds, which should be on file at the Forsyth County Register of Deeds. Prices are only for the land, not for any improvements on the land.]

Lots and land sold within the Salem corporate limits

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
201	100.00	O. A. Keehn	Mar. 13, 1857
202	100.00	O. A. Keehn	Mar. 13, 1857
203	80.00	O. A. Keehn	Mar. 13, 1857
206	102.50	Allen Ackerman	Mar. 13, 1857
212	80.00	Adolphus Reich	Mar. 13, 1857
217	51.00	Traug. Chitty	Mar. 26, 1857
218	55.41	Traug. Chitty	Mar. 26, 1857
220	67.75	Parm. Shulz	Mar. 13, 1857
221	66.25	C. L. Banner	Mar. 13, 1857
222	68.00	George Barnycastle	Mar. 13, 1857
223	66.25	Mortimer Vogler	Mar. 13, 1857
224	66.25	Nath. Vogler	Mar. 13, 1857
225	325.50	E. A. Vogler	Mar. 13, 1857
113	62.87	Jul. Micke	Mar. 26, 1857
115	54.69	Henry Vogler	Mar. 26, 1857
127	120.00	James Leinbach	Mar. 13, 1857
128	120.00	Mary Clemmons	Mar. 13, 1857
132	214.82	F. & H. Fries	Mar. 26, 1857
82	67.89	H. Schaffner	Mar. 26, 1857
87	114.81	R. Patterson	Mar. 13, 1857
extension of E. A. Vogler's store lot to the run	27.12	E. A. Vogler	Mar. 26, 1857 (in deed for store lot)
219	132.50	Jacob Reich	Mar. 13, 1857
213	80.00	E. A. Vierling	Mar. 13, 1857
66	98.34	Sam. Shulz	Mar. 26, 1857

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
27 & east end of 16	76.53	E. A. Vogler	Mar. 26, 1857
63 [store lot]	155.75	E. A. Vogler	Mar. 26, 1857
204	80.00	Allen Spach	Apr. 29, 1857
205	100.00	Allen Spach	Apr. 29, 1857
134	207.75	Isaac Gibson	Mar. 26, 1857
118	45.90	Wm. Hauser	Mar. 26, 1857
228	23.20	Wm. Peterson	Mar. 26, 1857
116	46.40	Edmd. Blum	Mar. 26, 1857
Part of 12	31.45	Lucinda Bagge	Apr. 29, 1857
23	83.60	Aug. Zevely	Apr. 29, 1857
43 south part	38.19	Jos. Hall	Apr. 29, 1857
8 a., 146 p. east of Graveyard	50.00	Salem Cemetery Co.	Apr. 29, 1857
64	101.43	John Vogler	Apr. 29, 1857
211	100.00	Adam Butner	Oct. 28, 1857
226	100.00	Adam Butner	Oct. 28, 1857
108	96.23	Chr. Hege	Oct. 28, 1857
89	73.75	Isaac Lash	Oct. 28, 1857
9	81.07	Dr. Shuman	Oct. 28, 1857
99	50.21	Gottl. Seitz	Oct. 28, 1857
111	50.00	Abr. Steiner	Oct. 29, 1857
79	87.12	Jac. Rothaas	Jan. 8, 1858
229 (meadow ground west of Butner's hotel lot)	420.00	O. A. Keehl	Jan. 8, 1858
58	66.40	Jac. Fulkerson	Jan. 8, 1858
69 (east part to the run)	36.82	Wm. Petersen	Jan. 8, 1858
83	88.56	O. A. Keehl	Jan. 8, 1858
68	593.00	Adam Butner	Feb. 20, 1867
84	96.65	Wm. Hauser	Jan. 8, 1858
230	15.60	Nath. Vogler	deed to Ad. Butner Feb. 19, 1858
232, 233, 234, 235, & 236	256.87	E. A. Vogler	Feb. 19, 1858
10	53.58	Wachovia Sustentation	
246	230.00	J. Gottl. Seitz	Apr. 26, 1858
238	84.50	Sandford Snyder	Apr. 26, 1858
94	115.85	Edwd. Peterson	Apr. 26, 1858
247	240.00	George Hege	Apr. 26, 1858
102	149.73	John D. Siewers	Apr. 26, 1858
69 (west part)	31.00	Salem Town Commissioners	Apr. 26, 1858
239	84.00	John D. Siewers	Apr. 26, 1858
237	89.00	John Clemmons	Apr. 26, 1858
50	66.00	Nelson Brown	Apr. 13, 1858
240	90.00	O. A. Keehl	Aug. 3, 1858
46	88.50	Fr. Fries as trustee of Doroth. Clewell	Aug. 3, 1858
200	50.00	Fr. Fries	Aug. 3, 1858
125	75.05	from Chr. Hege for his part	Aug. 3, 1858
	43.75	from H. Leinbach for his part	deed to Chr. Hege
117	85.50	N. Vogler	Aug. 5, 1858
244	70.00	Edwin T. Clemmons bought June 22, 1858	May 5, 1879 deed to Isaac M. Daggett, New York
245	65.69	Edwin T. Clemmons bought June 22, 1858	May 5, 1879 deed to Isaac M. Daggett, New York
51	66.00	Lewis D. Winkler for J. D. Tewes	June 22, 1858
214	80.00	Aquilla Jones	Aug. 3, 1858

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
243	62.50	Edwin T. Clemmons bought Sept. 21, 1858	May 5, 1879 deed to Isaac M. Daggett, New York
80	96.00	Alex. Meinung	Sept. 29, 1858
81	116.25	Henry Schaffner	Oct. 9, 1858
18 (joining pleasure ground/ Zevely's stable)	36.49	Aug. Zevely	Aug. 7, 1860
140	51.50	Peter A. Wilson	Dec. 7, 1858
136	85.50	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
137	96.00	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
144	135.00	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
150	84.00	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
151	84.00	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
152	84.00	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
153	105.00	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
161	43.00	R. L. Patterson	Dec. 7, 1858
146	84.00	H. D. Lott	Dec. 7, 1858
138	96.00	Henry W. Fries	Dec. 7, 1858
139	70.00	Henry W. Fries	Dec. 7, 1858
19	225.00	Dr. S. Martin	Dec. 7, 1858
135	55.13	Chs. Cooper	Feb. 25, 1859
215	80.00	Aquilla Jones	Feb. 25, 1859
21	68.20	Amanda S. Lemly	Feb. 25, 1859
19 (addition)	41.55	Dr. S. Martin	Feb. 25, 1859
145	110.00	R. L. Patterson	May 9, 1859
147	84.00	O. A. Keehln	May 23, 1859
148	101.00	O. A. Keehln	May 23, 1859
149	117.00	O. A. Keehln	May 23, 1859
141	49.50	Wm. Holland	Mar. 15, 1859
142	50.00	Wm. Holland	Mar. 15, 1859
207	80.00	John H. Reich	Mar. 15, 1859
92 [tanyard lot]	800.00	Fr. Fries	Mar. 1, 1860
242	75.00	J. G. Sides	Sept. 10, 1859
160	83.00	R. L. Patterson	Sept. 10, 1859
208	80.00	Chrn. Tesh	Sept. 29, 1859
25 & 17	85.00	Joshua Boner	Nov. 4, 1859
24 & back of lot A	66.96	Jacob Reich	Nov. 4, 1859
96	162.50	George Foltz	Jan. 21, 1860
121	99.00	Dan'l. Crouse	Mar. 6, 1860
43 (north part & 7 1/2 ft. taken from little alley)	63.72	Alanson Welfare	May 10, 1860
15 (northeast part Sisters House lot)	50.87	Salem Female Academy	
28 & west part of 16	81.89	Chs. Shober	June 6, 1860
addition to 83 of 7 1/2 ft. taken from little alley	5.35	David Blum	July 6, 1860
70	64.60	Anna Lydia Heisler	Aug. 23, 1860
71	69.30	Henrietta Caroline Meller	Aug. 23, 1860
33	71.40	E. A. Schweinitz	Oct. 28, 1861
73 (northeast part)	21.35	Charles Yates	deed to Chs. Brietz Dec. 8, 1860 deed to H. W. Fries Dec. 17, 1861
248	350.00	Calvin Peck (140 for lot & 210 for old Negro Church)	
47	134.00	Lewis Belo	Apr. 3, 1862
209 & 210	160.00	Traug. Christ	Apr. 17, 1862
101	94.35	George Hege	Apr. 22, 1862

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
41	95.92	Chs. Cooper	Apr. 29, 1862
112	79.92	Wm. F. Shulz	Apr. 29, 1862
42	97.00	Sol. Micke	May 9, 1862
216	50.00	Aquilla Jones	Aug. 28, 1862
154	104.00	Rebecca Stauber	Aug. 21, 1862
155	84.00	A. Johanna Stauber	Aug. 28, 1862
85	90.00	Henry E. Meinung	Sept. 20, 1862
44	144.00	Henry E. Meinung	Sept. 20, 1862
107	84.00	Chrn. Hege	Sept. 20, 1862
131	148.00	Chrn. Hege	Sept. 20, 1862
110	72.00	Allen A. Spach	Sept. 20, 1862
158	84.00	R. L. Patterson	Oct. 13, 1862
& 159	105.00		
& 156	83.60		
& 157	84.00		
124	99.00	J. Henry Leinbach	Oct. 20, 1862
143	75.00	Zach. G. Hege	Nov. 6, 1862
104	43.00	Traug. Christ	Dec. 12, 1862
37 & 38	125.00	Theod. C. Pfohl	Dec. 12, 1862
32	71.00	Female Academy (Dec. 12, 1862)	June 25, 1872 deed to John M. Wimmer
26	63.75	Nathl. S. Siewers	Jan. 23, 1863
B (back lot)	12.00	Nathl. S. Siewers	Jan. 23, 1863
162	600.00	Wm. Wheeler	May 8, 1863
53 & 75	196.00	Fr. Fries	July 31, 1863
93	245.00	Fr. Fries	July 31, 1863
103 &	368.00	F. & H. Fries	July 31, 1863
76 & 77	162.00		
C (back lot)	20.00	Saml. Martin	Oct. 3, 1863
88	74.00	Edwd. Ackerman	Oct. 15, 1863
227	80.00	E. A. Vogler	Jan. 27, 1864
48 [pottery lot]	200.00	John Nissen	Oct. 13, 1870 deed to J. Francis Shaffner, [who] bo't the lot at sale of Nissen property
250	15.93	J. G. Sides	Dec. 6, 1867
254	60.00	J. D. Siewers	Aug. 20, 1866
255	60.00	Edwn. Clemmons	Aug. 20, 1866
addition to Luc. Bagge's lot of 45 ft. to Acad. pleasure ground (her lot part of No. 12)	7.75	Luc. Bagge	
251	46.35	J. G. Sides	Dec. 6, 1867
119	85.53	Aug. T. Zevely	Jan. 9, 1867
109	72.00	Augustus C. Swink	Mar. 26, 1867
52	66.00	Car. Amanda Belo	July 3, 1867
252	71.50	J. G. Sides	Dec. 6, 1867
253	97.50	Aug. Fockel	Feb. 11, 1868
67	110.69	Levi V. Blum	Mar. 18, 1868
114	79.20	Amelia R. Winkler	Mar. 5, 1869
39	69.20	Christiana S. Van Vleck	Dec. 28, 1869
65	98.34	Fr. Meller	Jan. 13, 1870 deed to Lucinda Bagge
163	344.00	Henry L. Shore	July 4, 1870
55	67.50	Henry A. Leinbach	Nov. 26, 1870
40	87.50	W. H. Hall & T. F. Keehln, executors of James Hall	Mar. 28, 1871

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
60	68.00	W. H. Hall & T. F. Keehn, executors of James Hall	Mar. 28, 1871
95 & addition	65.00 10.00	Lavinia Williams	Nov. 21, 1872
231 A	61.00	Aug. Fogle	Apr. 25, 1871
173	400.00	C. H. & C. A. Fogle [Fogle Bros.]	June 20, 1871
74 & house	856.00	S. N. Clinard	Aug. 20, 1874
165	304.50	James Fisher	Sept. 12, 1871
59	66.00	James Fisher	Jan. 5, 1872
73 southwest part	87.00	Edwd. Belo	Apr. 22, 1872
122	99.00	Saml. Micke	Aug. 6, 1872
31	71.00	Alex E. Giersh	Dec. 9, 1872
5	58.50	Henry Siddall	Feb. 10, 1873
164	240.00	James Crumpler	Feb. 26, 1874
259	130.00	J. W. Fries	Mar. 30, 1874
6	58.75	J. D. Siewers	May 11, 1874
180	171.36	Winfield Rempsen	Jan. 23, 1875
2 lots	100.00	L. R. Brietz	June 13, 1874
2 lots	100.00	Albt. Brietz	June 13, 1874
	587.02	Salem Female Academy	no deed, but receipt given July 15, 1874
205 (addition)	110.40	Allen Spach	Mar. 1876
314	50.00	Jno. T. Phillips	Oct. 23, 1874
174 & 175	428.40	Fogle Bros.	Feb. 15, 1878
166 & 167	400.33	R. A. Wommack	
45	89.33	A. F. Pfohl	Jan. 1875
173	291.93	J. D. Tewes	Mar. 31, 1875
78	87.12	S. Ed. Butner	Feb. 22, 1875
170	277.50	Jno. Wharton	Mar. 31, 1875
171	225.33	R. D. Hay	May 1876
			deed to Thos. Martin
172	277.50	R. D. Hay	May 1876
			deed to Thos. Martin
265 & 266	271.50	Jno. W. Fries	Apr. 20, 1875
267	400.64	Jno. W. Fries	May 15, 1875
176	214.20	Wm. P. Ormsby	Sept. 4, 1876
268 & 241	320.20	J. R. & W. T. Vogler, executors of N. Vogler	July 28, 1875
177	171.36	Aug. Fogle	Jan. 2, 1882
177 1/2	106.62	Aug. Fogle	Jan. 2, 1882
269	151.92	Calvin Sharpe	July 13, 1877
178, 179, & 182	436.80	Dr. J. F. Shaffner	Apr. 3, 1876

Lots and land sold within the Winston corporate limits

The land covered by Lots no. 1 to 71 was sold and deeded to Commissioners of Forsyth County [in 1849]. Lots were laid off, sold and deeded by said Commissioners.

Lot	Purchaser	Lot	Purchaser	Lot	Purchaser
1	Free School House	8	C. Reich	15	John P. Vest
2	Fr. C. Meinung	9	David Cook	16	Dr. Golding
3	Hasten	10	Bethel	17	A. Nicholson
4	C. L. Banner	11	Gibson	18	Brown
5	C. L. Banner	12	Miller	19	T. J. Wilson
6	Hine	13	Brown	20	T. J. Wilson
7	C. Reich	14	Brown	21	E. A. Vogler

Lot	Purchaser	Lot	Purchaser	Lot	Purchaser
22	E. A. Vogler	39	H. Miller	56	Clinard
23	C. L. Banner	40	Brown	57	A. J. Stafford
24	C. L. Banner	41	Rob't. Gray	58	R. M. Saunders
25	Chrn. Hege	42	Rob't. Gray	59	R. M. Saunders
26	Chrn. Hege	43	J. Waugh	60	Blum
27	Jno. H. White	44	Waugh & Wilson	61	Blum
28	Ph. Hopkins	45	T. J. Wilson	62	Fries
29	R. Walker	46	T. J. Wilson	63	J. S. White
30	D. Collins	47	Dr. Pepper	64	
31	Hy. A. Holder	48	Stafford	65	
32	Hy. A. Holder	49	Ayers	66	
33	Sol. Mickey	50	Cecil	67	J. Brown
34	Ed. Reich	51	D. H. Starbuck	68	J. Waggoner
35	Ed. Reich	52	D. H. Starbuck	69	J. Ferrabee
36	J. Vogler	53	Jno. Keller	70	Isaac Tise
37	I. Golding	54	Jno. Keller	71	
38	County Jail	55	Brown		

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
106	80.00	Presbyterian Church	Mar. 25, 1861 deed to F. L. Gorrell & Thos. J. Wilson, trustees
84 & 85	73.00 74.00	Christian Thos. Pfohl	Mar. 25, 1861
74	37.00	James Calvin Miller	Mar. 25, 1861
81	53.00	Peter A. Wilson	Mar. 25, 1861
76	46.00	Thos. J. Wilson	Mar. 25, 1861
77	42.00	Wm. Nifong	Mar. 25, 1861
80	50.00	J. D. Tewes	Mar. 25, 1861
78 & 79	48.00 44.00	Christian Reed	Mar. 27, 1861
82	65.00	Peter A. Wilson	Feb. 1, 1862
72	22.00	Reub. L. Chitty	May 21, 1861
83	65.00	Peter A. Wilson	Feb. 1, 1862
88	74.00	Mary W. Best	May 24, 1862
89 & 90	75.00 75.00	Peter A. Wilson	May 27, 1862
92	75.00	Mortimer N. Vogler	June 10, 1862
86	74.00	A. Johanna Stauber	Aug. 21, 1862
91	75.00	N. Vogler	Aug. 3, 1866 deed to Peter A. Wilson
75	45.00	Benj. Spaugh	May 8, 1863
93	93.00	J. D. Tewes	Nov. 26, 1863
87	75.00	Thos. T. Best	Dec. 23, 1863
94 & 95	183.00	Winston High School	Jan. 9, 1865 deed to Robt. Gray, Pres'dt of Winston High School
109 & 110	119.40 89.55	Sylvester Miller	July 20, 1866
111	89.55	D. H. Starbuck	Aug. 20, 1866
112 & 113	89.55 119.40	Thos. J. Wilson	May 27, 1867
73	58.00	Peter A. Wilson	June 24, 1867
115	300.00	Geo. Washn. Hinshaw	Jan. 24, 1870
116	300.00	James Albert Blum	Jan. 24, 1870
114	150.00	Wm. W. Albea	Feb. 2, 1870
	gratis	N.W.N.C.R.R. Co.	Oct. 19, 1870
103	200.00	John D. Siewers	June 20, 1871 deed to Wm. J. Spaugh
107 & 108	348.00	Steph. H. Hodgin	Feb. 10, 1871
104 & 105	200.00 150.00	Thos J. Wilson	Mar. 16, 1871

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
101	200.00	Gideon Miller	July 18, 1871
118	306.00	Jesse Riggs	Aug. 31, 1871 deed to Alex Nading
124	220.00	Wilson, Brown & Co.	Mar. 19, 1872
96 & 97	200.00 200.00	R. L. Patterson	May 3, 1872
102	230.00	Aug. Fogle for John Petree	June 25, 1872 deed to Aug. Fogle
142 & 143	323.00	Planters Warehouse	Nov. 13, 1872 deed to Steph. H. Hodgin, Presdt.
144 & 145	328.00	Thos. Livingston Vaughn	Dec. 21, 1872
146 & 151	316.00	C. F. Sussdorff	Jan. 15, 1873
123	360.00	Wm. A. Lash Jr.	Jan. 15, 1873
119	204.00	Aug. Fogle	Jan. 15, 1873
125	180.00	Martin Grogan	Jan. 15, 1873
147	242.25	Wm. M. Hinshaw	Feb. 3, 1873
148	80.75	George W. Hinshaw	Feb. 3, 1873
150	162.00	David A. Spaugh	Mar. 15, 1873
117	180.00	George R. Reynolds	Mar. 15, 1873
164	153.00	Bartlett Y. Rayle	Mar. 26, 1873
126B	108.00	Peter A. Wilson	Mar. 26, 1873
127	330.00	Jacob Tise	Apr. 25, 1873
184	160.00	Thos. F. Leak	May 12, 1873
100	200.00	Louis Spencer	May 19, 1873
99	200.00	Eliza R. Spencer	Aug. 9, 1873
207	200.00	Reuben A. Barrow	Aug. 9, 1873
213	160.00	Joseph M. Masten	Aug. 29, 1873
209	459.00	A. M. Booe, P. H. Hanes, & T. J. Brown	Aug. 19, 1873
98	214.00	M. Florence Martin	Sept. 26, 1873
141 (east half)	259.00	Anselem Reid	Oct. 22, 1873
215	140.00	Chris. H. Tavis	Sept. 5, 1873
165 & 166	320.00	Preston Roan	Nov. 4, 1873
185	160.00	Martha Styers	Jan. 1, 1874
189 & 194	331.00	Chesly Hamlin	Jan. 13, 1874
122	369.00	E. A. Pfohl & Jos. Stockton	Jan. 14, 1874
186	160.00	J. B. Crews	Jan. 14, 1874
149	162.00	G. W. Hinshaw	Feb. 2, 1874
220	50.00	J. D. Davis	Feb. 23, 1874
187	145.60	Dalton Poindexter	Feb. 23, 1874
188	145.60	Gaston E. Miller	Mar. 25, 1874
163	118.40	T. A. Wiles	June 16, 1874
228 & 229	320.00	W. A. Lash Jr., guardian of W. L. & Sam. Hairston	Apr. 14, 1874
192	165.75	T. L. Vaughn	Apr. 14, 1874
193	165.75	C. B. Watson	Apr. 14, 1874
141 (west half)	194.25	Anselem Reid	Apr. 20, 1874
212 (east half)	190.90	J. M. Grogan	May 6, 1874
242	135.00	Mrs. O. C. Smith	May 9, 1874
120	306.00	Jno. Hy. Masten	May 12, 1874
246	261.25	Aug. Fogle	June 3, 1874
121	349.20	Reuben Barrow	June 5, 1874
244 & 245	215.75	W. H. Watkins	244 deeded to A. Fogle Jan. 1876 for \$75 245 deeded to E. F. Coble Aug. 2, 1884
140 (east half)	195.00	J. N. Faucett	Nov. 12, 1874
212 (west half)	197.37	Jesse Kenneday	June 17, 1874
250	231.70	Felix G. Crutchfield	July 9, 1874
251	231.70	Wm. P. Henly	May 7, 1875
219	140.00	J. D. Tewes	Mar. 31, 1875
208	150.00	Charles Steiner	July 1874
162	160.00	Stephen Hodgin	Jan. 11, 1875
128	360.00	Jacob Tice	Aug. 1, 1874
190	165.50	Jacob Tice	Dec. 8, 1874
191	165.50	T. H. Pegram	Aug. 1874
167	160.00	A. Barksdale	Dec. 15, 1874

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
169	145.60	Samuel Sink	Jan. 1875
126A	200.00	Daniel Coleman	Sept. 15, 1874
195	100.00	Ch. Hamlen	
183	160.00	N. W. Norfleet	Sept. 19, 1874
175	336.00	E. T. Blum	Feb. 1875
210 & 211	688.50	Major Brown & Co.	May 1875 for 211 110.92 due on 210
139	388.50	R. J. Reynolds	Oct. 31, 1874
triangle at R.R.	50.00	Cary Brown	Oct. 22, 1874
137	394.32	Herbert Simms	Nov. 12, 1874
138	388.50	H. C. Edwards	Dec. 23, 1876
140 (west half)	193.50	P. W. Dalton	Jan. 5, 1875
176	176.00	Andrew Burke	Dec. 15, 1875
265	160.00	W. H. Winstead	Jan. 22, 1875
270	160.00	A. B. Gorrell	May 1875
280	176.80	James B. Crews	Feb. 20, 1875
182	176.00	Fogle Bros.	Nov. 27, 1876
129	360.00	N. T. Watkins	Jan. 29, 1875
247	261.75	R. J. Reynolds	Jan. 29, 1875
132	210.00	J. A. Bitting	Jan. 29, 1875
133	180.00	J. T. Moore	Jan. 29, 1875
134	180.00	Geo. Beck	Jan. 29, 1875
135	210.00	Hamilton Scales	Jan. 29, 1875
136	222.60	Dr. W. H. Bynum	Feb. 17, 1875
131	180.00	Jos. Masten	Mar. 28, 1878 deed to W. L. & R. D. Brown
214	100.00	Jos. Masten	June 21, 1875 deed to B. V. Holcombe
178 (west half) & 271	240.00	Wm. B. Carter Jr.	Feb. 22, 1875
178 (east half)	80.00	A. B. Gorrell	Feb. 22, 1875
281	175.00	Junius Craft	Feb. 22, 1875
328	209.40	J. M. Grogan	Feb. 19, 1875
233 & 234	312.00	J. M. Grogan	Feb. 19, 1875
249	209.40	Anslem Reed	Feb. 19, 1875
248	261.75	N. T. Watkins	Feb. 19, 1875
337	156.00	N. T. Watkins	Feb. 19, 1875
226	120.40	Alex Gates	May 21, 1875
221	75.00	J. D. Teves	Mar. 31, 1875
280	176.80	Jas. C. Crews	Feb. 19, 1875
329	156.00	H. H. Long	Aug. 7, 1875
336	156.00	H. H. Long	May 8, 1875
223	276.50	J. D. Teves	May 12, 1875
224	274.25	Edward Spach	Dec. 1875
222	279.00	N. T. Watkins	May 21, 1875
234	213.57	N. T. Watkins	May 21, 1875
235	184.00	N. T. Watkins	May 21, 1875
239	189.89	N. T. Watkins	May 21, 1875
240	180.00	N. T. Watkins	May 21, 1875
241	180.00	N. T. Watkins	May 21, 1875
243	152.55	O. C. Smith	May 1875
300 (south half)	84.00	T. L. Vaugh	May 13, 1875
300 (north half)	84.00	Wm. B. Carter Jr.	May 13, 1875
320	121.48	Levi V. Blum	May 15, 1875
321	128.61	Levi V. Blum	May 13, 1875
322	153.32	Levi V. Blum	May 13, 1875
196	124.12	S. H. Cannaday	May 13, 1875
197	124.12	S. H. Cannaday	May 13, 1875
335	156.00	N. T. Watkins	May 21, 1875
266	160.00	Chisley Hamelin	Sept. 11, 1879 deed to Rufus D. Brown
313 & 314	207.56	O. C. Smith	May 7, 1881
310, 311, & 312	411.00	G. W. Norwood	May 22, 1876 (310 only)

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
236	173.11	G. W. Norwood	
238	85.00	G. W. Norwood	
237	161.00	F. G. Crutchfield	
252, 253, 256, & 257	627.00	D. R. Burton	June 1875
154	160.00	T. J. Brown	May 4, 1881 deed to Bessie Clinard
156	160.00	Thos. Spaugh	July 1875
155	160.00	D. A. Spaugh	July 1875
225	80.00	Alex Gates	Mar. 11, 1878 deed to Dr. T. J. Williamson
130	150.00	Brown & Bros.	May 13, 1875
227	129.00	W. T. Williams, colored Presbyterian Church	Dec. 16, 1880 deed to A. Y. Stokes & Co.
157	160.00	J. B. Stockton	Jan. 31, 1876
158	160.00	N. G. Stockton	Jan. 31, 1876
258	160.00	N. N. Tuck	Aug. 14, 1875
267	160.00	N. N. Tuck	Aug. 14, 1875
230	160.00	N. N. Tuck	Aug. 14, 1875
301	168.00	T. L. Vaughn	Oct. 1875
350, 351, 352, 353, & 354	956.00	N. N. Tuck	Mar. 11, 1876
318	130.00	Saml. Burke	Dec. 1875
277	160.00	Francis M. Keith	July 10, 1876 deed to C. A. Fogle
278	200.00	Francis M. Keith	July 10, 1876 deed to W. F. Keith
159, 160, & 161	473.60	Stephen Hodgin	Jan. 1876
290	176.80	Andrew Burke	Apr. 11, 1878
286	176.80	Jesse Carter	Apr. 30, 1879 deed to J. F. Shaffner
287	176.80	Jesse Carter	Apr. 30, 1879 deed to J. F. Shaffner
299	218.00	W. B. Glenn	Feb. 28, 1878 deed to Sallie E. Glenn
307	218.00	L. V. Blum	Jan. 8, 1877 deed to Sallie E. Glenn
308	210.00	E. T. Blum	Sept. 9, 1881
309	210.00	E. T. Blum	June 7, 1880
288	218.00	L. V. & E. T. Blum	Mar. 30, 1880
272	160.00	H. W. Fries	Apr. 1876
276	160.00	H. W. Fries	Apr. 1876
282	176.00	H. W. Fries	Apr. 1876
284	174.40	H. W. Fries	Apr. 1876
285	174.40	H. W. Fries	Apr. 1876
293	176.00	Mrs. E. C. Brown	Apr. 1876
296 & 306	429.00	Miller Bros.	Mar. 1876
305	168.00	Wm. J. Spach	Sept. 21, 1878 deed to Cic. Tise
338	75.00	Colored Methodist Church	Apr. 1876 deed to Trustees
368	174.44	J. C. Buxton	May 1876
291 & 292	352.00	Miller Bros.	Dec. 20, 1878
294	176.00	J. Wm. Leinbach	Nov. 7, 1879 to A. J. Gales
216	253.86	Jno. H. Masten	Jan. 29, 1879 deed to C. H. & C. A. Fogle

Lot Number	Price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
217	246.14	Jno. H. Masten	Jan. 29, 1879
339	160.00	Jesse Carter	Apr. 30, 1879 deed to J. F. Shaffner
357	160.00	Jesse Carter	Apr. 30, 1879 deed to J. F. Shaffner
340	160.00	Miller Bros.	Mar. 30, 1878 deed to C. H. & C. A. Fogle
341	160.00	Miller Bros.	Mar. 30, 1878 deed to John H. Hine
342	160.00	Miller Bros.	Oct. 1876
355	160.00	Miller Bros.	Dec. 30, 1878
356	160.00	Miller Bros.	Mar. 30, 1878 deed to C. H. & C. A. Fogle
371	160.00	Miller Bros.	Mar. 30, 1878
& 372	160.00		deed to C. H. & C. A. Fogle
283	176.00	Fogle Bros.	Mar. 25, 1879
254	247.45	F. G. Crutchfield	Aug. 1876
255	200.48	Mrs. N. S. Davis	Nov. 19, 1887
297	218.00	J. H. Shelton	Nov. 24, 1876
182	176.00	C. H. & C. A. Fogle	Nov. 27, 1876
259	160.00	A. W. Bevel	Nov. 30, 1876
231	160.00	Thos. Parker	Oct. 29, 1877
& 232	200.00		deed to W. P. Hill
200	160.00	John D. Watkins	Feb. 3, 1877
210	295.30	P. H. Hanes, T. J. Brown, & J. W. Hanes	Feb. 9, 1877
179	160.00	A. B. Gorrell	Mar. 3, 1877
358	160.00	E. G. Kern	June 1877

Salem Diacony Land sold outside of corporate limits

Contents ¹	price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
3 a. 50 p.	165.00	John Banner, surviving trustee of C. L. Banner	Apr. 22, 1872
Lots 1 & 2 SE of Em. Reich's house, each 100 x 200 ft. (in Liberia)	20.00 (10 each)	Wm. A. Lemly for Rich & Ned (colored)	Apr. 29, 1872
11 a. on Belews Creek Road	165.00	Stokley Donaldson Franklin	July 15, 1872
Lots 5 & 6 [Liberia] SE of Em. Reich, each 100 x 200	20.00	Martha Lindsay	Mar. 20, 1873
Lot 10 [Liberia]	10.00	Elias Bitting	Oct. 17, 1872
Lot 4 [Liberia]	10.00	Dr. W. H. Wheeler for Hiram (Rights)	Oct.? 1872 ²
12 a. 140 p. on Belews Creek Road	193.00	W. H. Wheeler	July 15, 1872
Lot 3 [Liberia]	10.00	W. H. Wheeler for Hiram Rights	Oct.? 1872 ²
Lots 7 & 8 [Liberia]	20.00	W. H. Wheeler	Oct.? 1872 ²
Lot 9 [Liberia]	10.00	W. H. Wheeler	Nov.? 1872 ²
Lot 11 [Liberia]	10.00	Benj. Zevely	Sept. 20, 1873

¹a. = acre; p. = perch, pole or square rod (160 p. = 1 a.).

²Duplicate deeds made for Wheeler lots, 1910.

Contents	price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
1 a.	15.00	Adam Conrad	Nov. 6, 1873
Lot 14 Liberia	10.00	E. A. Vogler	Nov. 6, 1873
3 a. Shallowford Road	75.00	Roman Galloway	Nov. 11, 1873
61/4 a. south of Belews Creek Road	93.75	S. T. Mickey	Dec. 5, 1873
32 acres 127 p.	850.85	Thos. L. Hine	Dec. 5, 1874
1 a. north of Shallowford Road	25.00	J. A. Shore	Dec. 11, 1873
Lot 13 Liberia	10.00	E. A. Vogler	Dec. 16, 1873
16 a. 8 p.	274.00	Lewis Hine	Dec. 14, 1876 deed for 151/3 a. to Lewis Hine; deed for remainder to R. A. Wommack
1 a.	25.00	E. W. & L. C. Mullican	Jan. 21, 1874
2 a.	50.00	E. P. Mullican	Feb. 2, 1874
14 a.	165.80	Adam Butner	Feb. 2, 1874
5 a. 115 p.	142.97	J. G. Sides	Feb. 9, 1874
& 4 a. 51 p.	43.75		
Lot 20 Liberia	20.00	Peter Stockton	Feb. 23, 1874
10 a. 21 p.	151.00	Demcy Bailey	Apr. 9, 1874
5 a. 84 p.	124.00	Aug. Fogle	Mar. 25, 1874
53/4 a.	161.00	H. A. Siddall	Mar. 25, 1874
3 a. 53 p.	112.00	E. W. & J. A. Lineback	July 14, 1882
2 a. 35 p.	70.00	H. W. Fries	Apr. 21, 1874
home place	1,200.00	Aug. Fogle	Jan. 12, 1882
1 a.	26.80	Calvin Hauser	May 7, 1874
6 a.	227.50	J. H. Waldraven	Jan. 29, 1878 deed to A. Burk
4 a.	80.60	H. W. Fries (Lumly Tract)	June 11, 1874
8 a. 50 p.	332.50	Levin Brietz	June 11, 1874
2 a. 18 p.	59.15	Levin Brietz	June 11, 1874
2 a. 37 p.	89.25	Albert Brietz	June 11, 1874
9 a. 153 p., 17 a. 241/2 p., & 7 a. 42 p.	859.20	D. H. Starbuck	Aug. 14, 1874
10 a. 43 p.	308.06	N. W. Nading	July 10, 1874
45 a. 105 p.	1,369.68	Henry W. Fries	July 20, 1874
3 a. 153 p. & 3 a. 150 p.	199.38	Aug. Fogle	Jan. 2, 1882
2 a.	50.00	Jesse Brown	July 20, 1874
1 a. 128 p.	72.00	Albert Brietz	July 24, 1874
21 a. 133 p.	654.97	Dr. J. F. Shaffner	July 16, 1874
11 a. 20 p.	311.50	John Wimmer	May 10, 1875
3 a. 57 p.	83.90	Jonas Shore	Sept. 25, 1883 deed to S. Fogle
1 a. 57 p.	49.38	W. W. Petrie	Sept. 30, 1874
14 a. 14 p.	352.19	Demsy Bailey	July 10, 1875
1 a. 20 p.	28.12	Wm. East	Aug. 1, 1874
	25.00	Mary Taylor	Oct. 30, 1874
2 a.	14.00	J. G. Sides	Dec. 7, 1874
25 a. 39 p.	631.20	Aug. Fogle	Jan. 2, 1882
Mill tract	1,000.00	Cooper & Hendrix	Jan. 1875
Lots 17 & 22 Liberia	20.00	Ann Fulkerson	May 12, 1877
Lot 18 Liberia	10.00	Wilson Hunt	Jan. 23, 1875
Lot 19 Liberia	10.00	James Brown	Dec. 1874
Lot 21 Liberia	10.00	Aug. Fogle	Jan. 2, 1882
4 a. 56 p.	108.75	Emanl. Fisher	May 2, 1876 deed to Maria Fisher
Meadow	200.00	J. G. Sides	Apr. 6, 1875
Lot 15 Liberia	10.00	W. T. Vogler	Apr. 5, 1875

Contents	price	Name of Purchaser	Date of Deed
14 a. 132 p.	484.09	H. W. Fries	May 5, 1876
3 a. 17 p. & triangle 52 1/2 p.,	120.21	E. W. & J. A. Lineback	July 14, 1882
21 a. 99 p.,	259.50		
& 2 a. 30 p.	163.80		
27 a. 85 p.		J. F. Shaffner	Apr. 1876
11 9/43 a.	37.50	H. W. Fries	May 13, 1875
10 a. 134 p.	379.31	Brown & Bros.	May 13, 1875
1 a. 97 p.	48.19	J. F. Shaffner	July 1875
Lot 23 Liberia on Shallowford	10.00	Elias Bitting	receipt July 1875
Lot 12 Liberia	15.00	Wm. East	deed to J. A. Brown
1 a. 60 p.	10	Clarissa Dedman	Jan. 1876
7 a.	41.25	Salem Town Commissioners	Mar. 1876
	175.00	D. Bailey	Mar. 27, 1876
			deed to D. H. Starbuck
5 a. 155 p.	402.89	L. R. Brietz	Jan. 17, 1876
18 a. 63 p.	776.43	Fogle Bros.	May 11, 1879
& 7 a. 78 p.	751.43		
17 a. 80 p.	437.50	M. H. Cornell	Dec. 1877
			deed to H. W. Fries
80 p.	47.00	H. D. Swaim	May 3, 1876
17 a. 75 p.	218.36	W. H. Wheeler	July 9, 1888
			deed to ?
3 a. 50 p.	137.00	Cooper & Hendrix	Feb. 23, 1878
& 1 a. 43 p.			
144 p.	27.00	Aug. Fogle	Dec. 30, 1879
1 a.	25.00	Wm. Gibbons	
27 a. 114 p.	692.80	F. & H. Fries	July 4, 1874

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Infant Baptisms

- Crouse, George Edward, born Nov. 13, 1866, to Daniel Thomas Crouse and Mary Ellen m.n. Douthit. Baptized Jan. 13, 1867, in the house of Br. Henry Shaffner.
- Fisher, Louisa Theodora, born Dec. 21, 1866, to James Fisher and Francisca Louisa m.n. Benzien. Baptized Mar. 31, 1867.
- Hall, Emma Louisa, born Nov. 30, 1866, to Joseph Orestes Hall and Louisa Sophia m.n. Smith. Baptized Mar. 29, 1867, in the parents' house. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Bahnsen, George William, born Nov. 26, 1866, to Charles Frederick Bahnsen and Jane Amanda m.n. Johnson. Baptized Apr. 21, 1867.
- Keehln, Henry Eugene, born Dec. 13, 1866, to Orestes A. Keehln and Angelica E. m.n. Bahnsen. Baptized Apr. 21, 1867.
- Butner, Ella Caroline, born Apr. 9, 1867, to Samuel Edwin Butner and Julia Caroline m.n. Eberhard. Baptized June 20, 1867, in the parents' house.
- Cooper, Emma Sophia, born July 7, 1867, to William Jacob Cooper and Jane Catherine m.n. Blum. Baptized Aug. 25, 1867.
- Keehln, Agnes Louisa, born June 17, 1867, to Francis Keehln and Louisa m.n. Reich. Baptized Sept. 6, 1867, in the house of Sr. Maria M. Keehln.
- Brietz, George Franklin, born Mar. 27, 1867, to Charles Brietz and Margaret m.n. Morrow. Baptized Sept. 14, 1867, in the parents' house.
- Mickey, George Edward, born May 6, 1865, to William Francis Mickey and Sarah Elizabeth m.n. Ferguson. Baptized Sept. 29, 1867, in the house of the child's grandparents.
- Mickey, Emma Jane, born May 9, 1867, to William Francis Mickey and Sarah Elizabeth m.n. Ferguson. Baptized Sept. 29, 1867, in the house of the child's grandparents.
- Lineback, Henry Vogler, born Aug. 26, 1867, to Julius Augustus Lineback and Anna Sophia m.n. Vogler. Baptized Oct. 21, 1867, in the parents' house.
- Vest, Caroline Della, born Sept. 17, 1853, to John Pleasant Vest and Lucy Ann m.n. Davis. Baptized Nov. 3, 1867.
- Vest, Laura Victoria, born June 14, 1856, to John P. Vest and Lucy Ann m.n. Davis. Baptized Nov. 3, 1867.
- Vest, Sarah Louisa, born Dec. 20, 1858, to John P. Vest and Lucy Ann m.n. Davis. Baptized Nov. 3, 1867.
- Vest, Lucy Belle, born Dec. 26, 1861, to John P. Vest and Lucy Ann m.n. Davis. Baptized Nov. 3, 1867.
- Shaffner, Henry Fries, born Sept. 19, 1867, to John Francis Shaffner and Caroline Louisa m.n. Fries. Baptized Nov. 8, 1867, in the parents' house.
- Jenkins, Gertrude Elizabeth, born June 26, 1867, to Robert A. Jenkins and Margaret Elizabeth m.n. Clewell. Baptized, Dec. 25, 1867.
- Grunert, James Ernest, born Nov. 12, 1867, to Maximilian Eugene Grunert and Maria Susanna m.n. Butner. Baptized Dec. 25, 1867.
- Winkler, Claudia Augusta, born July 31, 1866, to Charles A. Winkler and Alice m.n. Giersch. Baptized Dec. 25, 1867, in the parents' house.
- Headley, Mary Kate, born Sept. 28, 1867, to Philip Dennis Headley and Mary Emmeline m.n. Kremer. Baptized Dec. 26, 1867, in the house of Sr. Kremer.
- Cooper, Clara Adella, born Dec. 21, 1867, to Charles Henry Cooper and Melinda Eleonora m.n. Stauber. Baptized Mar. 5, 1868, in the house of the widowed Sr. Cooper.
- Hunter, Mary Siddall, born Dec. 26, 1867, to John Wesley Hunter, Dentist, and Josephine Louisa m.n. Siddall. Baptized Mar. 8, 1868.
- Stockton, Henry Edward, born Mar. 11, 1868, to Joseph H. Stockton and Julia Elizabeth m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Apr. 26, 1868.
- Keehln, Frederick Christian, born Feb. 4, 1868, to Aeneas Orestes Keehln and Angelica Elizabeth m.n. Bahnsen. Baptized May 3, 1868.
- Keehln, Charles David, born Feb. 4, 1868, to Aeneas Orestes Keehln and Angelica Elizabeth m.n. Bahnsen. Baptized May 3, 1868.

- Hege, Francis Edward, born Jan. 3, 1868, to Edward L. Hege and Mary J.S. widow Boozer m.n. Hunt. Baptized May 10, 1868.
- Miller, Francis Edward, born Apr. 7, 1868, to Irwin Miller and Olivia Victoria m.n. Boyer. Baptized May 31, 1868.
- Hughes, Martha Louisa, born Mar. 24, 1868, to Henry Hughes and Martha m.n. Collins. Baptized June 21, 1868.
- Vogler, Henry Edward, born May 22, 1868, to William Theodore Vogler and Joanna m.n. Mack. Baptized July 5, 1868.
- Crouse, Francis Walter, born May 26, 1868, to Daniel Crouse and Mary m.n. Douthit. Baptized July 19, 1868.
- Brietz, Charles Lee, born May 9, 1868, to Charles Brietz and Margaret m.n. Morrow. Baptized Aug. 9, 1868, in the parents' house.
- Mickey, Henry Francis, born May 11, 1868, to Samuel Mickey and Mary m.n. Brietz. Baptized Aug. 9, 1868.
- Hall, Charles Bahnson, born Jan. 14, 1868, to Samuel G. Hall and Mary F. m.n. Huggins. Baptized Oct. 22, 1868, in the grandfather's house.
- Reich, Clarence Eugene, born Aug. 14, 1868, to Joseph Reich and Sarah m.n. Wolff. Baptized Nov. 1, 1868.
- Nissen, Clara Lillian, born Aug. 24, 1868, to John Israel Nissen and Leonora Adele m.n. Ebert. Baptized Nov. 5, 1868, in the grandparents' house.
- Snyder, Samuel Benjamin, born Aug. 20, 1868, to Sandford Snyder and Maria m.n. Griffin. Baptized Nov. 15, 1868.
- Crist, Eleonora Elisabeth, born Oct. 4, 1868, to Traugott Crist and Maria m.n. Haman. Baptized Nov. 18, 1868, in the parents' house.
- Pfohl, William Siewers, born Oct. 22, 1868, to Christian Thomas Pfohl and Margaret m.n. Siewers. Baptized Dec. 20, 1868.
- Winkler, Amelia Giersh, born Apr. 6, 1868, to Charles Winkler and Alice m.n. Giersh. Baptized Dec. 23, 1868, in the parents' house.
- Fisher, Hermina Magnolia, born Sept. 13, 1868, to Emanuel Fisher and wife. Baptized Jan. 1, 1869.
- Ackerman, Ellen Francisca, born Nov. 13, 1868, to Alexander Ackerman and Serena m.n. Snipe. Baptized Jan. 10, 1869, in the parents' house.
- Lineback, William Edward, born Dec. 4, 1868, to Julius Augustus Lineback and Anna Sophia m.n. Vogler. Baptized Jan. 24, 1869.
- Blum, George William, born Jan. 11, 1869, to Edmund T. Blum and Sarah Catherine m.n. Hartman. Baptized Mar. 14, 1869.
- Röge, Ian Israel, born Jan. 24, 1869, to Augustus Röge and Christina m.n. Parnell. Baptized Mar. 14, 1869.
- Siddall, Thomas Henry, born Nov. 16, 1868, to Henry Siddall and Ellen m.n. Hege. Baptized Mar. 28, 1869.
- Petersen, Samuel Eugene, born Apr. 30, 1869, to Willm. P. Petersen and Paulina D. m.n. Stoltz. Baptized June 27, 1869.
- Petersen, Nathaniel Vogler, born May 16, 1869, to J. Edw. Petersen and Martha m.n. Vogler. Baptized June 27, 1869.
- Welfare, Mary Caroline, adopted daughter of A. E. Welfare and Juliana m.n. Wohlfahrt. Baptized in the parents' house.
- Shore, Bernard Paul, born May 6, 1869, to Henry W. Shore and Lavinia Ann E. m.n. Boyer. Baptized July 11, 1869.
- Keehln, Emma Ellen, born May 4, 1869, to Francis Edw. Keehln and Sophia Louisa m.n. Reich. Baptized July 25, 1869.
- Belton, Edward Henry, born May 23, 1869, to Henry Clay Belton and Mary Ann Francisca m.n. Waggeman. Baptized Aug. 14, 1869, in the house of the grandmother.
- Shore, Ella Maria, born Mar. 30, 1869, to J. Augustus Shore and Letitia m.n. Martin. Baptized Sept. 12, 1869, in the parents' house.
- Oerter, George Francis, born Aug. 10, 1869, to Albert L. Oerter and Sarah M. m.n. Fetter. Baptized Oct. 10, 1869.

- Cooper, Charles Nathaniel, born Aug. 18, 1869, to Willm. J. Cooper and Jane Catharine m.n. Blum. Baptized Oct. 10, 1869.
- Mickey, Rufus Francis, born Mar. 1, 1869, to Willm. Francis Mickey and Sarah Elisabeth m.n. Ferguson. Baptized Oct. 31, 1869, in the house of Br. John Mickey.
- Shore, Lily Anna, born Oct. 13, 1869, to Henry L. Shore and Mary Ann m.n. Williams. Baptized Nov. 21, 1869.
- Shaffner, William Francis, born Sept. 20, 1869, to John Francis Shaffner, M.D., and Caroline m.n. Fries. Baptized Dec. 12, 1869.
- Brooks, Laura Amanda, born Oct. 20, 1869, to Charles B. Brooks and Bettie m.n. Lemly. Baptized Dec. 20, 1869, in the house of the grandparents Lemly.
- Headley, Charles Kremer, born June 26, 1869, to P. Dennis Headley and Mary Emmeline m.n. Kremer. Baptized Dec. 29, 1869, in the house of the grandmother, Sr. Elis. Kremer.
- Jenkins, George Francis, born Oct. 5, 1869, to Robert A. Jenkins and Margaret Elis. m.n. Clewell. Baptized Jan. 2, 1870.
- Winkler, Parmenio Eugene, born Dec. 18, 1869, to Charles Winkler and Alice m.n. Giersch. Baptized Feb. 13, 1870.
- Pfohl, Caroline Elisabeth, born Jan. 4, 1870, to Christn. T. Pfohl and Margaret m.n. Siewers. Baptized Mar. 13, 1870.
- Stockton, Theodore Pfohl, born Jan. 6, 1870, to Joseph Stockton and Julia Elis. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Mar. 13, 1870.
- Hege, Frederic Christian, born Nov. 1, 1869, to Edw. L. Hege and Mary J. S. late Boozer m.n. Hunt. Baptized Apr. 3, 1870.
- Hege, William Benjamin, born Jan. 16, 1870, to Zach. G. Hege and Sarah A. m.n. Lash. Baptized Apr. 9, 1870, in the house of the grandparents Hege (Chrn.).
- Shore, Walter Augustus, born Dec. 31, 1869, to J. Aug. and Letitia Shore. Baptized Apr. 24, 1870.
- Thomas, Mary Lillian, born Apr. 1, 1870, to Hy. C. Thomas and Caroline Mary m.n. Butner. Baptized May 22, 1870.
- Stevenson, John, born to Chas. E. Stevenson and Sarah Cornelia m.n. Kremer. Baptized in the house of the grandmother, Sr. Kremer.
- Reich, Sybilla Elisabeth, born Apr. 17, 1870, to James A. Reich and Paulina m.n. Miller. Baptized July 24, 1870.
- Miller, George Augustus, born June 14, 1870, to Irwin Miller and Olive Victoria m.n. Boyer. Baptized Sept. 4, 1870, at the parents' house.
- Petersen, Mary Agnes, born July 20, 1870, to J. Edwd. Petersen and Martha m.n. Vogler. Baptized Sept. 8, 1870, at the parents' house.
- Patterson, Andrew Henry, born in 1870 to Rufus L. Patterson and Mary Elis. m.n. Fries. Baptized Dec. 25, 1870.
- Butner, Effie Catharine, born Jan. 13, 1871, to Sam'l. Edwin Butner and Julia Caroline m.n. Eberhard. Baptized Mar. 26, 1871.
- Hege, Thomas Christian, born Feb. 11, 1871, to Zach. G. Hege and Sarah A. m.n. Lash. Baptized Mar. 26, 1871.
- Siddall, Louis Herbert, born Mar. 1871 to Henry Siddall and Ellen m.n. Hege. Baptized Apr. 4, 1871, at the parents' house.
- Crouse, Mary Ellen, born to Daniel Crouse and Mary Ellen m.n. Douthit. Baptized at Br. Henry Shaffner's house.
- Jenkins, Robert Lee, born to Robt. A. Jenkins and Margaret Elis. m.n. Clewell. Baptized May 7, 1871.
- Stockton, Edward Alexander, born Mar. 6, 1871, to Joseph H. Stockton and Julia Elis. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized May 14, 1871, at the house of the grandfather, Th. Pfohl.
- Shore, Edward Jacob, born Mar. 14, 1871, to Henry L. Shore and Mary Ann m.n. Williams. Baptized May 14, 1871.
- Pfohl, Samuel Frederic, born May 29, 1871, to Christian Thos. Pfohl and Margaret m.n. Siewers. Baptized Aug. 6, 1871.
- Snyder, Arthur Nathaniel, born Dec. 2, 1870, to Sandford Snyder and Maria m.n. Griffin. Baptized Sept. 10, 1871, in the Salem parsonage.

- Vogler, William Nathaniel, born July 26, 1871, to William T. Vogler and Joanna m.n. Mack. Baptized Sept. 17, 1871.
- Rogge, George Augustus, born July 22, 1871, to Aug. F. Rogge and Christina m.n. Parnell. Baptized Oct. 1, 1871.
- Pfohl, Herbert Augustus, born Sept. 10, 1871, to Charles B. Pfohl and Mary Josephine m.n. Everhart. Baptized Oct. 22, 1871.
- Pfohl, Mary Harrold, born Oct. 13, 1871, to William Lewis Pfohl and Martha m.n. Fogle. Baptized Nov. 26, 1871.
- Mickey, Anna Caroline, born Sept. 20, 1871, to Sam'l T. Mickey and Pauline m.n. Hege. Baptized Dec. 3, 1871.
- Shore, Mary Ellen, born Nov. 12, 1871, to Naaman T. Shore and Lydia m.n. Evans. Baptized Nov. 15, 1871, at the parents' house. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Livengood, Susan Imogene, born to Henry W. Livengood and Rebecca Jane m.n. White. Baptized Dec. 17, 1871, at the parents' house.
- Fries, Adelaide Lisette, born Nov. 12, 1871, to John W. Fries and Agnes S. m.n. de Schweinitz. Baptized Dec. 24, 1871.
- Tavis, Elisabeth Pamela, born Sept. 20, 1870, to Christian Hy. Tavis and Mary Elisabeth m.n. Lineback. Baptized Dec. 25, 1871, at the house of Sr. Sarah Winkler.
- Purnell, Lucinda Zevely, born Dec. 3, 1871, to Thos. R. Purnell and Adelia m.n. Zevely. Baptized Jan. 19, 1872, at the house of Dr. A. T. Zevely.
- Reich, Lena Cecilia, born Oct. 30, 1871, to Joseph Reich and Sarah Ann m.n. Wolfe. Baptized Feb. 25, 1872.
- Thomas, Bessie Adelaide, born Dec. 26, 1871, to H. C. Thomas and Mary Caroline m.n. Butner. Baptized Feb. 25, 1872.
- Shore, Adelaide Lavinia, born Jan. 14, 1872, to Henry W. Shore and Lavinia m.n. Boyer. Baptized Mar. 31, 1872.
- Cooper, Grace Catharine, born Jan. 18, 1872, to Wm. J. Cooper and Jane C. m.n. Blum. Baptized Mar. 31, 1872.
- Landquist, Anna Magdalene, born Jan. 30, 1872, to John P. Landquist and Mary E. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Mar. 31, 1872.
- Shore, Emma Jane, born Nov. 1, 1871, to Augustus and Letitia P. Shore. Baptized Apr. 21, 1872, at the rooms of Sr. Jeannette Shutt in the Widows House.
- Oerter, Caroline Sophia, born May 10, 1872, to A. L. Oerter and Sarah M. m.n. Fetter. Baptized July 28, 1872.
- Draughan, Alix, daughter of James W. Draughan and Susan m.n. Hellen. Baptized Sept. 1, 1872.
- Hege, Anna Louise, born Apr. 21, 1872, to Edward L. Hege and Mary widow Boozer m.n. Hunt. Baptized Sept. 15, 1872.
- Keehln, Gertrude Caroline, born June 21, 1872, to Francis Keehln and Sophia Louise m.n. Reich. Baptized Sept. 15, 1872.
- Shaffner, Carrie Lisette, born July 6, 1872, to J. Fr. Shaffner and Caroline m.n. Fries. Baptized Sept. 29, 1872.
- Hege, George Ernest, born Aug. 25, 1872, to Zacharias G. Hege and Sarah Ann m.n. Lash. Baptized [Bethania Diary: Sept. 29, 1872] at the house of the grandfather, Thos. Lash, at Bethania.
- Siddall, Ellen Josephine, born Oct. 4, 1872, to Henry A. Siddall and Ellen Jane m.n. Hege. Baptized Dec. 15, 1872.
- Peterson, James Edward, born Sept. 20, 1872, to J. Edward Peterson and Martha V. m.n. Vogler. Baptized Dec. 15, 1872.
- Strupe, Anna Belle, born Oct. 27, 1872, to Ephraim A. Strupe and Ellen R. m.n. Chitty. Baptized Feb. 9, 1873, at the parents' house.
- Leinbach, Anne Louisa, born Feb. 16, 1873, to Robt. Parmenio Leinbach and Sarah m.n. Blum. Baptized Feb. 18, 1873, at the parents' house, and the child died soon afterwards.
- Horton, Phineas Edgar, born in 1872 to Harrison Horton and Mary Jane m.n. Vogler. Baptized Mar. 2, 1873.

- Stockton, Carrie Estelle, born Feb. 4, 1873, to Joseph Stockton and Julia E. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Apr. 13, 1873.
- Goslin, Birdie Viola, born Apr. 6, 1873, to Junius W. Goslin and Leonora m.n. Spach. Baptized Apr. 20, 1873, at the house of the grandparents Spach.
- Crouse, Adelaide May, born Jan. 9, 1873, to Dan'l. T. Crouse and Frances late Winters m.n. Tate. Baptized May 25, 1873, at the house of Br. Henry Shaffner.
- Reich, Charles Augustus, born Mar. 26, 1873, to James Reich and Pauline m.n. Miller. Baptized June 22, 1873.
- Hughes, Minnie Bertha, born Jan. 9, 1872, to Henry Hughes and Martha m.n. Collins. Baptized Aug. 30, 1873, at the parents' house.
- Fries, Mary Eleanor, born July 9, 1873, to John W. Fries and Agnes m.n. de Schweinitz. Baptized Aug. 31, 1873.
- Landquist, Thomas Eugene, born July 23, 1873, to John P. Landquist and Mary E. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Sept. 14, 1873.
- Tice, Samuel Walter, born Jan. 15, 1873, to John Tice and Sarah m.n. Hall. Baptized Oct. 5, 1873, at the parents' house.
- Null, Fannie May, daughter of Henry Null and wife. Baptized Oct. 12, 1873, at the parents' house.
- Mickey, Minnie Salome, born Aug. 5, 1873, to Sam'l. T. Mickey and Paulina m.n. Hege. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873.
- Cooper, Nathaniel Blum, born Sept. 24, 1873, to Willm. Jac. Cooper and Jane Cath. m.n. Blum. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873.
- Shore, Walter Page, born Oct. 31, 1873, to Henry L. Shore and Mary Ann m.n. Williams. Baptized Dec. 26, 1873, at the parents' house.
- Winkler, Bessie Burwell, born Sept. 10, 1873, to Charles Winkler and Alice m.n. Giersch. Baptized Dec. 28, 1873, at the house of Charles Winkler.
- Winkler, George Augustus, born Oct. 24, 1871, to Charles Winkler and Alice m.n. Giersch. Baptized Dec. 28, 1873, at the house of Charles Winkler.
- McAlly, Bertha Paulina, born Nov. 11, 1870, to [blank] McAlly and M. Alice m.n. Winkler. Baptized Dec. 28, 1873, at the house of Charles Winkler.
- Tavis, William Henry, born May 18, 1872, to Chrn. Hy. Tavis and Mary E. m.n. Lineback. Baptized Dec. 28, 1873, at the house of Charles Winkler.
- Wimmer, William Morgan, born July 24, 1865, to John Wimmer and Mary R. m.n. Cloud. Baptized Dec. 28, 1873, at the house of Charles Winkler.
- Wimmer, George Franklin, born Aug. 18, 1868, to John Wimmer and Mary R. m.n. Cloud. Baptized Dec. 28, 1873, at the house of Charles Winkler.
- Thomas, Hattie Blanche, born Oct. 8, 1873, to H. C. Thomas and M. Caroline m.n. Butner. Baptized Dec. 30, 1873, at the house of the grandparents, Br. and Sr. Adam Butner.
- Nissen, Harry Eugene, born Nov. 22, 1873, to John I. Nissen and Leonora m.n. Ebert. Baptized Jan. 11, 1874.
- Fogle, Agnes Augusta, born Dec. 1, 1873, to Christian H. Fogle and Emma Agnes m.n. Reich. Baptized Jan. 25, 1874.
- Shore, Clarence Albert, born Nov. 26, 1873, to Henry W. Shore and Lavinia E. m.n. Boyer. Baptized Feb. 1, 1874.
- Hege, Walter Julius, born Oct. 28, 1873, to Constantine L. Hege and Frances M. m.n. Spaugh. Baptized Mar. 22, 1874.
- Leinback, Adelaide Eugenia, born Apr. 7, 1874, to R. P. Leinback and Sarah m.n. Blum. Baptized May 31, 1874.
- Miller, Adelaide Lavinia, born Mar. 2, 1874, to Irwin Miller and Olive Vict. m.n. Boyer. Baptized June 21, 1874.
- Shore, Sarah Etta, born Apr. 16, 1874, to Jacob Augustus and Letitia Shore. Baptized Aug. 2, 1874.
- Hege, Anna Lash, born Feb. 8, 1874, to Zacharias G. Hege and Sarah Ann m.n. Lash. Baptized Aug. 23, 1874.
- Butner, George Edwin, born July 28, 1874, to Sam'l. Edwin Butner and Julia Caroline m.n. Eberhard. Baptized Sept. 20, 1874.

- Pfohl, John Kenneth, born Aug. 13, 1784, to Chrn. Thos. Pfohl and Margaret m.n. Siewers. Baptized Nov. 1, 1874.
- Shaffner, John Francis, born Nov. 22, 1874, to J. Fr. Shaffner, M.D., and Caroline m.n. Fries. Baptized Dec. 25, 1874.
- Patterson, John Legerwood, born to R. L. Patterson and Mary m.n. Fries. Baptized Dec. 25, 1874.
- Pfohl, Samuel Augustus, born Aug. 28, 1874, to Augustus F. Pfohl and Jane Elis. m.n. Reich. Baptized Dec. 27, 1874.
- Petersen, Henry Walter, born Oct. 20, 1874, to Jas. Edw. Petersen and Martha m.n. Vogler. Baptized Dec. 27, 1874.
- Petersen, Henrietta Caroline, born Oct. 20, 1874, to Jas. Edw. Petersen and Martha m.n. Vogler. Baptized Dec. 27, 1874.
- Stockton, Susan Elisabeth, born to Jos. Stockton and Julia E. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Feb. 28, 1875.
- Fisher, Edna Earl, born May 12, 1874, to Charles L. Fisher and Sarah A. m.n. Hauser. Baptized Mar. 7, 1875, at the parents' house.
- Crouse, Agnes Elisabeth, born Oct. 21, 1874, to Daniel Crouse and Frances late Winters m.n. Tate. Baptized April 1875 in the parents' house.
- Landquist, Emma Louisa, born Mar. 1, 1875, to John P. Landquist and Mary E. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized May 16, 1875.
- Hege, Ella Florence, born Mar. 1, 1875, to Constant. L. Hege and Frances M. m.n. Spach. Baptized May 23, 1875.
- Strupe, Howard Augustus, born July 8, 1875, to Ephraim A. Strupe and Ellen Rebecca m.n. Chitty. Baptized Oct. 3, 1875.
- Cooper, William Alexander, born Aug. 23, 1875, to Willm. J. Cooper and Jane Cath. m.n. Blum. Baptized Oct. 10, 1875.
- Purnell, Eliza Dudley, born July 18, 1875, to Thos. R. Purnell and Adelia m.n. Zevely. Baptized Oct. 10, 1875, in the house of the Misses Zevely.
- Shore, Lindsay Theodore, born Sept. 13, 1875, to Henry W. Shore and Lavinia A. E. m.n. Boyer. Baptized Nov. 21, 1875.
- Brooks, Daisy Elisabeth, born July 13, 1875, to C. B. Brooks and Elis. Conrad m.n. Lemly. Baptized Nov. 21, 1875, in the house of the grandparents Lemly.
- Lemly, William Belo, born Aug. 31, 1875, to Wm. A. Lemly and Bertha C. m.n. Belo. Baptized Nov. 21, 1875, in the house of the grandparents Lemly.
- Keehln, Maud Magdalene, born Sept. 10, 1875, to Francis E. Keehln and Sophia L. m.n. Reich. Baptized Dec. 19, 1875, in the parents' house.
- Stockton, Mary Matilda, born Sept. 14, 1875, to Charles B. Stockton and Mary m.n. Siddall. Baptized Jan. 2, 1876.
- Pfohl, Louis Everhart, born Dec. 22, 1875, to Charles B. Pfohl and Mary Josephine m.n. Everhart. Baptized Jan. 30, 1876.
- Tise, Florence Augusta, born Nov. 7, 1875, to John H. Tise and Sallie J. m.n. Hall. Baptized Feb. 27, 1876.
- Bahnsen, Frederic Fries, born Mar. 6, 1876, to Henry T. Bahnsen and Emma C. m.n. Fries. Baptized Apr. 23, 1876.
- Shore, Rosa May, born Feb. 29, 1876, to Henry L. Shore and Mary Ann m.n. Williams. Baptized May 6, 1876, at the parents' house.
- Vogler, Emma Elisabeth, born Mar. 27, 1876, to Willm. Vogler and Joanna m.n. Mack. Baptized May 14, 1876.
- Hege, Alexander Christopher, born Nov. 26, 1875, to Z. G. Hege and Sarah m.n. Lash. Baptized May 28, 1876.
- Siddall, Elisabeth Louise, born Jan. 27, 1876, to Henry Siddall and Ellen m.n. Hege. Baptized June 24, 1876, at the parents' house.
- Thomas, Lawrence Butner, born Dec. 12, 1875, to H. C. Thomas and Caroline m.n. Butner. Baptized June 24, 1876, at the house of Br. Adam Butner.
- Hege, Edgar Lee, born Mar. 18, 1875, to Edw. L. Hege and Mary late Boozer m.n. Hunt. Baptized July 9, 1876.

- Shore, Rufus Alexander, born Apr. 12, 1876, to Jonas Shore and [blank] m.n. Thomas. Baptized July 23, 1876, at the parents' house.
- Stockton, Paul Herbert, born May 3, 1876, to Joseph H. Stockton and Julia E. m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Aug. 6, 1876.
- Zevely, Eunice, born Aug. 3, 1876, to John H. Zevely and Sarah late Higley m.n. Pfohl. Baptized Sept. 24, 1876.
- Siewers, Pauline Herman, born Sept. 19, 1876, to N. S. Siewers, M.D., and Eleanor E. m.n. de Schweinitz. Baptized Oct. 29, 1876, at the house of Br. E. A. de Schweinitz.
- Stockton, Ernest Hall, born Aug. 28, 1876, to John G. Stockton and Florence E. m.n. Hall. Baptized Nov. 26, 1876.
- Miller, Dora Elisabeth, born Oct. 3, 1876, to Irwin Miller and Olive V. m.n. Boyer. Baptized Dec. 24, 1876.
- Wurreschke, Ludwig Joseph, born Nov. 15, 1876, to Ludwig B. Wurreschke and Josephine m.n. Alector. Baptized Dec. 10, 1876, shortly before its death. [Recorded out of sequence.]

Adult Baptisms

- Long, Josephine Elizabeth, born Jan. 7, 1850, near Salem (Waughtown). Baptized Apr. 15, 1867.
- Vest, John Pleasant, born Sept. 1, 1815, in Forsyth County to John Vest and Elizabeth m.n. Ray. Baptized Nov. 3, 1867.
- Vest, Lucy Ann, m.n. Davis, born Oct. 4, 1820, in Yadkin County, to Isaac Davis and Amelia m.n. Wright. Baptized Nov. 3, 1867.
- Pfohl, Henrietta Clementine, born Jan. 22, 1850, in Columbus, Ga., to Gotthold Pfohl and Jeanette m.n. Crenshawe. Baptized Apr. 5, 1868.
- Casey, Mary Ellen. Baptized Apr. 5, 1868.
- Vest, Mary Ann, born June 10, 1851, at Winston, to John P. and Lucy A. Vest. Baptized May 29, 1869.
- Hunter, John Wesley, born Aug. 28, 1826, in Forsyth County, to Solomon Hunter and Nancy m.n. Franklin. Baptized Aug. 15, 1869.
- Porter, Sarah Dulcina, born Aug. 26, 1852, to Raeford Porter and Eliza m.n. Perryman. Baptized Apr. 10, 1870.
- Starbuck, Darius Henry, born Sept. 15, 1818, in Guilford County. Baptized Mar. 24, 1872.
- Veach, Samuel Adolphus, born Oct. 6, 1855, in Davidson County, to Henry and Jane Veach. Baptized Mar. 24, 1872.
- Heisler, Maria Elizabeth, born Nov. 8, 1856. Baptized Apr. 6, 1873.
- Veach, Margaret Louisa, born Mary 11, 1858, to Henry and Jane Veach. Baptized Apr. 6, 1873.
- Poe, Agiley Ann Martha m.n. Allen, born Sept. 28, 1835, to [blank] Allen and Eleanor m.n. Rook. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873.
- Pfohl, William Thomas, born Sept. 17, 1843. Baptized Mar. 29, 1874.
- Hamilton, Rufus Alexander, born Oct. 5, 1848. Baptized Mar. 29, 1874.
- Spach, Adelaide Rebecca, born Oct. 17, 1856. Baptized Mar. 29, 1874.
- Veach, Virginia Ann, born Apr. 15, 1858, to Junius and Amanda J. Veach. Baptized Mar. 29, 1874.
- Blum, Emma May, baptized Mar. 21, 1875.
- Brown, Augusta Gertrude, baptized Mar. 21, 1875.
- Beck, Robert Theodore, baptized Apr. 9, 1876.
- White, Walter Fillmore, baptized Apr. 9, 1876.
- Poe, Julia Emma, born to [blank] Poe and Agiley Ann m.n. Allen. Baptized Apr. 9, 1876.
- Blum, Christina Elis., born to David Blum and wife. Baptized Apr. 9, 1876.

Marriages

- Reich, Henry Christopher, born Apr. 22, 1836, married Jan. 15, 1867, to Ellen Cornelia Ackerman, born Nov. 19, 1846.
- Hunter, John Wesley, born Aug. 28, 1826, married Mar. 19, 1867, to Josephine Louisa Siddall, born June 1, 1841.

- Mickey, Samuel Timothy, born Mar. 14, 1839, married Apr. 23, 1867, to Mary Catherine Brietz, born Sept. 7, 1841.
- Reich, Joseph Henry, born Mar. 16, 1839, married May 14, 1867, to Sarah Ann Catherine Wolff, born Mar. 8, 1848.
- Shore, Henry, born Nov. 20, 1835, married June 20, 1867, to Mary Ann Williams, born July 14, 1839, near Clemmons ville.
- Vogler, William Theodore, born Oct. 5, 1843, married Aug. 13, 1867, to Joanna Mack, born Nov. 5, 1844, at Friedberg.
- Siddall, Henry Albert, born Nov. 25, 1844, in Cumberland County, married Dec. 5, 1867, to Ellen Jane Hege, born Aug. 22, 1842, at Friedberg.
- Swicegood, William, married Jan. 16, 1868, to Caroline Elizabeth Winkler, born Sept. 26, 1848.
- Belton, Henry Clay, married Mar. 12, 1868, to Mary Anna Francisca Waggoman, born Oct. 3, 1846.
- Minung, Alexander C., born Apr. 5, 1823, married June 30, 1868, to Lisette Maria Vanvleck, born Apr. 13, 1830, at Newport, R.I.
- Peterson, James Edward, born Sept. 25, 1827, married July 9, 1868, to Martha Virginia Vogler, born June 25, 1836.
- Griffiths, Miles Edward, married July 28, 1868, to Susanna Caroline Spach, born Aug. 7, 1838.
- Flynt, John R., son of Allen and Nancy Flynt, married Dec. 30, 1868, to Amelia Elisabeth Vest, daughter of John P. and Lucy Vest.
- Winkler, Lewis Benjamin, born Dec. 3, 1821, married Feb. 18, 1869, to Augusta Caroline Swink m.n. Hall, born Apr. 15, 1827.
- Reich, James Alexander, born Aug. 13, 1831, married Mar. 4, 1869, to Paulina Rebecca Miller, born Nov. 3, 1842, at Friedberg.
- Thomas, Henry Clay, of Thomasville, married June 24, 1869, to Caroline M. Butner, born Dec. 8, 1840.
- Stevenson, Charles E., from Baltimore, married June 30, 1869, to Sarah Cornelia Kremer, born Apr. 16, 1845.
- Detmar, Andrew Willm. Christn., born Jan. 27, 1832, at Spanbeck, Hanover, Germany, married Sept. 28, 1869, to Susan Ketner.
- Thurley, Samuel J., married Dec. 22, 1869, to Leana Shaub, born Dec. 5, 1828, near Bethania.
- Prather, John Frank, of Danbury, son of J. F. and Charity Prather, married July 13, 1870, to Mary Catharine Sussdorf, born June 5, 1848.
- Clinard, Livingston Nathaniel, a widower, born Sept. 28, 1828, married Aug. 31, 1870, to Mary Emmeline Butner, born Oct. 15, 1837, at Bethabara.
- Fries, John William, born Nov. 7, 1846, married Oct. 25, 1870, to Agnes Sophia de Schweinitz, born Aug. 12, 1849.
- Shore, Naaman T., a widower, born Dec. 29, 1842, married Oct. 27, 1870, to Lydia Evans, born Aug. 31, 1849.
- Bahnson, Henry Theodore, M.D., born Mar. 4, 1845, married Nov. 3, 1870, to Adelaide Hedwig de Schweinitz, born May 24, 1847.
- Shelton, John, M.D., married Nov. 10, 1870, to Ellen Elisabeth Belo, born May 16, 1841.
- Mickey, Samuel Timothy, a widower, born Mar. 14, 1839, married Nov. 10, 1870, to Susan Pauline Hege, born Jan. 2, 1840.
- Purnell, Thomas Richard, from Wilmington, married Nov. 16, 1870, to Adelia Elisabeth Zevely, born Sept. 17, 1852.
- Pfohl, Charles Benjamin, born Dec. 4, 1846, married Nov. 17, 1870, to Mary Josephine Everhart, born Oct. 31, 1845.
- Landquist, John P., married Apr. 13, 1871, to Mary Elis. Pfohl, born July 12, 1842.
- Strupe, Ephraim A., born Oct. 15, 1845, married Apr. 27, 1871, to Ellen R. Chitty, born May 11, 1850.
- Steiner, Charles Edw., born Oct. 22, 1834, married Aug. 10, 1871, to Mary Conrad.
- Semons, Frank, from Lynn, Mass., married Apr. 9, 1872, to Leonora S. Winkler, born July 30, 1848.

- Goslin, Junius W., married Apr. 25, 1872, to Leonora J. Spach, born Feb. 17, 1848, to Br. and Sr. A. A. Spach.
- Fogle, Christian Henry, born Aug. 30, 1846, married Nov. 21, 1872, to Emma Jane Agnes Reich, born Mar. 9, 1851, to Br. and Sr. Aug. N. Reich.
- Early, William K., married Sept. 3, 1873, to Mary Louisa Belo, born June 20, 1852, to Lewis Belo and Henrietta m.n. Reich.
- Stockton, Charles B., married Oct. 14, 1873, to Mary A. Siddall, born Mar. 27, 1847, to Thomas Siddall and Theresa m.n. Belo.
- Patterson, Samuel, married in 1873, to Mary Sophia Senseman, born Dec. 25, 1849, to Rev. E. T. Senseman and wife.
- Fisher, Charles L., born Sept. 14, 1849, married Mar. 5, 1874, to Sarah A. Hauser, born Feb. 4, 1849, to Wm. and Susanna Hauser.
- Bahnson, Henry Theodore, M.D., a widower, born Mar. 4, 1845, married Apr. 14, 1874, to Emma Christina Fries, born June 25, 1852, to Francis and Lisetta Fries.
- Norwood, Thomas L., of Mebaneville, N.C., married June 22, 1874, to Anna Caroline Bahnson, born Dec. 28, 1850, to George F. Bahnson and Paulina m.n. Conrad.
- Carter, Jesse, married Nov. 24, 1874, to Ella Louisa Vogler, born Mar. 6, 1857, to Elias A. Vogler and Emma A. m.n. Reich.
- Lemly, William A., born Aug. 18, 1846, near Bethania, married Dec. 8, 1874, to Bertha C. Belo, born Sept. 26, 1850, to F. Edward Belo and Caroline A. m.n. Fries.
- Siewers, Nathaniel S., M.D., born Nov. 15, 1845, married Oct. 5, 1875, to Eleanor E. de Schweinitz, daughter of E. A. de Schweinitz and Sophia A. m.n. Hermann.
- Zevely, John H., born Dec. 1, 1848, married Oct. 6, 1875, to Sallie Higley m.n. Pfohl.
- Stockton, John G., married Nov. 11, 1875, to Florence Estelle Hall, daughter of Wm. Hy. Hall and Ernestine A. m.n. Vierling.
- White, Jacob, a widower, married Jan. 20, 1876, to Esther Linthicum, born Mar. 30, 1837.
- Holman, William C., of Alamance County, married Feb. 17, 1876, to Annie C. Belo, daughter of Lewis E. Belo and Henrietta m.n. Reich.
- Lineback, Henry Alexander, married Aug. 8, 1876, to Susan Elizabeth James, daughter of [blank] James and Elizabeth m.n. Perril.
- Blickensderfer, Jacob, married Sept. 25, 1876, to Adelia Cornelia Ackerman, daughter of Alex. Ackerman and Serena Rebecca m.n. Snipe.
- Pond, George E., lieutenant of the U.S. Army, born to Rev. Enoch and Sarah Pond of Brookline, Conn., married Oct. 10, 1876, to Catharine Elisabeth Bahnson, daughter of Geo. F. Bahnson and Paulina m.n. Conrad.
- Styers, Jasper, married Nov. 30, 1876, to Harriet Rebecca Blum, daughter of Edmund Blum and Sarah Catharine m.n. Hartman.

Deaths and Burials

- Byhan, Nathaniel, born Nov. 8, 1803, at Springplace, Ga., to Gottlieb Byhan and Dorothea m.n. Schneider. Married Aug. 24, 1834, to Angelina Blum. Died Jan. 23, 1867.
- Blum, Lucia, born June 21, 1784, at Hope, to Thomas Padget and Sarah m.n. Matthes [Matthews]. Married June 20, 1811, to John Jacob Blum. Died Jan. 27, 1867.
- Reich, John Philip, born Sept. 3, 1797, to Christopher Reich and Catherine m.n. Transou. Married June 17, 1824, to Sibylla Cecilia Dull. Died Feb. 7, 1867.
- Spach, Julia Augusta, born Nov. 20, 1841, near Friedberg, to Thomas Spach and Elizabeth m.n. Miller. Died Feb. 15, 1867.
- Boner, Edwin Timoleon, born Mar. 5, 1834, to Evan Boner and Sophia m.n. Byhan. Died Mar. 14, 1867.
- Pfohl, William Jacob, born July 11, 1837, to Theodore Christian Pfohl and Anna Susanna m.n. Mickey. Died Oct. 19, 1864, at Strasburg, Va., where his remains were buried, but were subsequently brought to Salem and re-interred in the cemetery on Apr. 4, 1867.
- Geiger, Susan Jane, born Dec. 28, 1827, near Bethania, to Jacob Geiger and Mary Clarissa m.n. Hoffman. Died Apr. 4, 1867.

- Blum, Sophia Antoinette, born July 12, 1842, near Salem, to Nathaniel Blum and Catherine m.n. Nading. Died June 4, 1867.
- Snyder, Edward Martin, born May 16, 1857, to Sandford Alexander Snyder and Maria Elizabeth m.n. Griffith. Died June 7, 1867. A fall from a cherry tree was the cause of his death.
- Blum, Maria Elizabeth, born Nov. 25, 1789, in Bethabara, to Abraham Transou and Anna Maria m.n. Pfaff. Married Dec. 30, 1810, to John Christian Blum. Died July 23, 1867.
- Banner, Constantine Ladd, born Jan. 14, 1799, near Germanton. Married Aug. 7, 1827, to Mary m.n. Bowman. Died Aug. 5, 1867.
- Geiger, Mary Regina, born Mar. 22, 1833, near Bethania, to Jacob Geiger and Mary Clarissa m.n. Hoffman. Died Oct. 14, 1867.
- Lewis, Mary Elizabeth, born Aug. 24, 1846, to Christian Henry Winkler and Ruffina Amelia m.n. Reich. Married July 24, 1866, Lyman Lewis. Died Apr. 28, 1867 [in Mississippi]. Interred Nov. 5, 1867, in the Salem Graveyard.
- Shober, Anna, born Jan. 10, 1799, in Rowan, now Davidson, County, to Philip and Hannah Hanes. Married Mar. 30, 1826, to Emanuel Shober. Died Jan. 2, 1868.
- Smith, Gertrude Salome, born Dec. 23, 1793, near Bethania, to John Henry Spainhower and Elizabeth m.n. Houser. Married Aug. 29, 1820, to John Renatus Smith. Died Jan. 12, 1868.
- Keehln, Frederic Christian, born Feb. 4, 1868, to Orestes Aeneas Keehln and Angelica Elizabeth m.n. Bahnson. Died July 16, 1868.
- Brietz, Charles Lee, born May 9, 1868, to Charles Brietz and Margaret m.n. Morrow. Died Aug. 9, 1868.
- Reich, Ellen Cornelia, born Nov. 9, 1846, near Salem, to Allan Ackerman and Ridelpia m.n. Kearney. Died Sept. 24, 1868.
- Crist, Eleonora Elisabeth, born Oct. 4, 1868, to Traugott Crist and Maria m.n. Haman. Died Nov. 23, 1868.
- Crouse, George Edward, born Nov. 13, 1866, to Daniel Thomas Crouse and Mary Ellen m.n. Douthit. Died Nov. 26, 1868.
- Denke, Maria, born Dec. 25, 1792, in Bethabara, to Abraham Gottlieb Steiner and Catharina m.n. Sehner. Married Sept. 11, 1828, to Christian Frederick Denke. Died Nov. 27, 1868. With comparatively short interruptions, she was a tutoress in our Female Academy for more than 50 years, and only ceased when bodily infirmity would allow it no longer.
- Stockburger, Sarah m.n. Lineback, born Feb. 8, 1779, near Bethania. Married in 1803 to John Stockburger. Died Dec. 11, 1868.
- Houser, Anna Susanna, born Aug. 6, 1805, to Samuel Shulz and Susanna Shulz. Married Nov. 29, 1832, to William Houser. Died Jan. 17, 1869.
- Herman, Anna Paulina, born Dec. 6, 1791, to Gottlieb Shober and Maria m.n. Transou. Married Jan. 30, 1821, to John G. Herman. Died Jan. 30, 1869.
- Vierling, Johanna Paulina, born Nov. 15, 1809, to Matthew Reich and Elisabeth m.n. Hauser. Married June 21, 1831, to Ernst August Vierling. Died May 20, 1869.
- Pfohl, Charlotte Frederica, born June 28, 1808, at Bethania, to Christian Thomas Pfohl and Elizabeth m.n. Fockel. Died June 1, 1869.
- Vest, Mary Ann, born June 10, 1851, at Winston, to John P. and Lucy A. Vest. Died June 25, 1869.
- Stoltz, John Henry, born Apr. 11, 1798, in Stokes (now Forsyth) County. Married Apr. 5, 1820, to Mary Holder. Died July 9, 1869.
- Grunert, Maria Susan, born Jan. 21, 1829, at Bethania, to Harmon Butner and Salome m.n. Strupe. Married Apr. 26, 1864, to Rev. Max. E. Grunert. Died July 13, 1869.
- Mickey, Mary Catharine, born Sept. 7, 1841, near Salem, to Renatus Levin Brietz and Maria Sophia m.n. Blum. Married Apr. 23, 1867, to Samuel Timothy Mickey. Died July 18, 1869.
- Clinard, Charlotte Elizabeth, born Sept. 6, 1834, near Salem, to Jacob Shultz and Johanna Eleanor m.n. Vierling. Married June 8, 1853, to Livingston Nathaniel Clinard. Died July 28, 1869.

- Belton, Mary Ann Francisca, born Oct. 3, 1846, in Stokes County, to John Henry Waggaman and Lizette m.n. Shouse. Married Mar. 12, 1867, to Henry Clay Belton. Died Aug. 14, 1869.
- Bahnson, George Frederic, born Sept. 16, 1805, at Christiansfeld, Denmark. Died Sept. 11, 1869. Bishop of the Moravian Church.
- Hall, Louisa Sophia, born May 6, 1835, to Rev. John Renatus Smith (Schmidt) and Gertrude Salome m.n. Spönhauer. Married Oct. 7, 1857, to Joseph Hall. Died Sept. 18, 1869.
- Steiner, Sarah, born June 23, 1795, in Bethabara, to Rev. Abraham Steiner and Catharine m.n. Sehner. Died Nov. 9, 1869. [Memoir: For many years Sallie Steiner conducted the Infant School.]
- Blum, Christina Elisabeth, born Aug. 1, 1793, to John Henry Blum and Catharine m.n. Claus. Died Nov. 27, 1869.
- Hall, James, born May 24, 1801, near Bethlehem, Pa. Married Sept. 6, 1825, to Sarah Green. Died Jan. 23, 1870.
- Chitty, Mary Elisabeth, born Apr. 15, 1846, to Traugott Chitty and Catherine Frederica m.n. Ruede. Died Feb. 1, 1870.
- Shultz, James Edw., born Sept. 17, 1826, to John Henry Shultz and Sabina m.n. Christman. Died Feb. 4, 1870. [Salem Diary: The Freemasons attended in a body (by permission), Br. Shultz having been one of them. After Br. O. (who also officiated in the church) had finished the Litany at the grave, they marched around it, and had some of their ceremonies, only occupying a few minutes.]
- Reichel, Ernestina Theophila, born May 17, 1828, to Gotthold Benjamin Reichel and wife. Died Apr. 3, 1870.
- Zevely, Lucinda Paulina, born May 20, 1820, to John Chrn. Blum and Maria Elis. m.n. Transu. Married Oct. 6, 1840, to Augustus Theoph. Zevely. Died Apr. 8, 1870.
- Shuman, Theodora, born Mar. 19, 1804, at Hope, Surinam, to Theodore Shulz and Susanna Cath. Elis. m.n. Loesch. Married Sept. 11, 1836, to Fred. Henry Shuman, M.D. Died July 4, 1870.
- Stockton, Theodore Pfohl, born Jan. 6, 1870, to Joseph H. and Julia Elis. Stockton. Died July 4, 1870.
- Stevenson, John, born in Salem to Chas. E. Stevenson and Sarah Cornelia m.n. Kremer. Died July 10, 1870.
- Belo, George, born Mar. 7, 1848, to Lewis Ephraim Belo and Lisetta Henrietta m.n. Reich. Died Aug. 2, 1870. [Salem Diary: As he had been one of the musicians, performing with the church band and singing in the choir, the former walked in the procession from the house. Going to the graveyard they had their instruments draped, *his* being borne by a boy.]
- Mickey, Salome, born Feb. 7, 1799, near Salem, to Gottlieb Spach and Martha Elisabeth m.n. Hege. Married July 14, 1831, to John Solomon Mickey. Died Aug. 2, 1870.
- Vogler, Anna Johanna, born Dec. 11, 1774, at Bethabara, to Paul Christian Stauber and Anna Maria m.n. Metz. Married Jan. 22, 1797, to Christopher Vogler. Died Aug. 5, 1870. [Salem Diary: She had reached the great age of 95 yrs., 7 mos., and 24 days. She will be the oldest person buried on our graveyard.]
- Lineback, John Henry, born Feb. 12, 1796. Married Nov. 17, 1822, to Elisabeth Schneider. Died Aug. 10, 1870.
- Keehln, Maria Magdalena, born Feb. 8, 1802, to Jacob Hy. Landmann and Margaret m.n. Vogler. Married July 11, 1819, to Christian David Keehln, M.D. Died Aug. 14, 1870.
- Griffin, Martha Lucinda, born Aug. 5, 1806, in Stokes County, to Lewis Blum and Martha m.n. Bynum. Married to John M. Griffin. Died Aug. 28, 1870.
- Clemmons, Mary m.n. Hanes, born Apr. 4, 1802, in Rowan (now Davidson) County, to Philip and Hannah Salome Hanes. Married in 1826 to William Clemmons. Died Sept. 6, 1870.
- Grunert, James Ernest, born Nov. 12, 1867, to Max. E. Grunert and Maria S. m.n. Butner. Died Sept. 16, 1870.
- Steiner, Elisabeth, born May 18, 1800, at Bethabara, to Rev. Abraham Steiner and Catharine m.n. Sehner. Died Oct. 5, 1870. [Salem Diary: Owing to some sickness in

early childhood her mental faculties had never been fully developed, and she thought as a child and spoke as a child to the day of her death. And yet she acquired some skill in instrumental music, and made herself useful in other ways also, as well as she was able.]

Crouse, Mary Ellen m.n. Douthit, born Feb. 28, 1841, at Clemmons ville. Married Nov. 7, 1865, to Daniel Thomas Crouse. Died Oct. 16, 1870.

Foltz, Elisabeth, born Dec. 3, 1788. Died Nov. 21, 1870.

McMillan, Margaret, niece and adopted daughter of Mary Yates m.n. McMillan. Died Jan. 1871.

Transu, Lydia Sophia, born at Bethania, to John Transu and Rebecca m.n. Frey. Died Mar. 6, 1871.

McMillan, Jessie, born in London, England, a niece and adopted daughter of Sr. Mary Yates m.n. McMillan. Died Apr. 7, 1871.

Siddall, Louis Herbert, son of Henry A. Siddall and Ellen J. m.n. Hege. Died Apr. 8, 1871.

Pfohl, Theodore Christian, born Jan. 13, 1804, at Bethania, to Christian Thomas Pfohl and Elisabeth m.n. Fockel. Married May 5, 1831, Anna Susanna Mickey. Died May 29, 1871.

Reich, John, born Jan. 11, 1795, to John Lewis Reich and Magdalene m.n. Tesch. Married Nov. 19, 1820, to Maria Agnes Shultz. Died June 10, 1871.

Shultz, Samuel, born Nov. 21, 1786, to Gottfried Shultz and Dorothea m.n. Shumacher. Married Oct. 16, 1819, to Christina Hein. Died June 30, 1871.

Båhnson, Adelaide Hedwig, born May 24, 1847, at Nazareth, Pa., to Rev. Emil A. de Schweinitz and Sophia Amalia m.n. Herman. Married Nov. 3, 1870, to Henry Theodore Bahnson, M.D. Died Aug. 3, 1871. It seemed good to the Lord that their first-born should be a stillborn daughter, and that the mother should not survive its birth.

Lineback, Emma Sophia, born Nov. 26, 1869, at Friedberg, to Rev. R. Parmenio Lineback and [blank] m.n. Blum. Died Aug. 7, 1871.

Foltz, George, born Feb. 9, 1798, near Salem, to John Foltz and Anna Barbara m.n. Fisher. Married Mar. 18, 1824, to Verona Reich. Died Sept. 22, 1871.

Stevenson, Charles Kremer, son of Charles E. Stevenson and Sarah Cornelia m.n. Kremer. Born and died at Baltimore, Md. Buried Oct. 27, 1871.

Blickensderfer, Maria Catharine, born Mar. 25, 1809, in Ohio. Died Nov. 8, 1871.

Butner, Charles Flavius, born Mar. 22, 1859, to Samuel Edwin Butner and Julia Caroline m.n. Eberhardt. Died Jan. 19, 1872.

Leinbach, Robert Blum, born to Rev. R. Parm. Leinbach and Sarah A. m.n. Blum. Died Mar. 5, 1872.

Bagge, Lucinda Frederica, born Feb. 28, 1815, to Carl Frederich Bagge and Christina m.n. Holder. Died Mar. 14, 1872. [Salem Diary: She was the last of her name and family in Wachovia, whither her grandfather, Traugott Bagge, came in 1768. When quite a little child she fell with her hands into a vessel of hot ashes, which injured them so severely that (the fingers having been tied up together instead of separately) only stumps remained, in the use of which she became very skillful, especially in worsted work. She was a sincere and devoted handmaid of the Lord, and served for a number of years as Single Sisters' Laboress here. She was also engaged for a number of years as a teacher in the Female Academy.]

Fisher, Susanna Lauletta, born Apr. 26, 1816, near Salem, to John Jacob Blum and Lucia m.n. Padget. Married Dec. 12, 1837, to Jefferson Fisher. Died Mar. 23, 1872.

Transu, Maria Magdalena, born Mar. 9, 1797 (6?), at Bethania. Died May 8, 1872.

Zevely, Augustus Theophilus, M.D., born May 6, 1816, near Salem, to Vanneman Zevely and Johanna Sophia m.n. Shober. Married Oct. 6, 1840, to Lucinda Paulina Blum, daughter of John Chrn. Blum and Maria Elizabeth m.n. Transu. Died May 24, 1872.

Byerle, Anna Susanna m.n. Foltz, born Jan. 27, 1801, in Davidson County. Married Sept. 12, 1826, to John Byerle. Died Aug. 9, 1872.

Wagemann, Maria m.n. Foltz, born June 2, 1786. Married May 5, 1812, to Christian Wagemann. Died Aug. 13, 1872.

Vogler, Nathaniel, born May 26, 1804, to Christopher Vogler and Anna Johanna m.n. Stauber. Married Dec. 20, 1827, to Anna Maria Fishel. Died Aug. 18, 1872.

- Reich, Clarence Eugene, born Aug. 14, 1868, to Joseph Herman Reich and Sarah Ann Catharine m.n. Wolff. Died Aug. 31, 1872.
- Spach, David, born July 18, 1799, at Friedberg, to Jacob Spach and Sarah m.n. Tesch. Married Aug. 9, 1832, to Friederica Charlotte Ebbecke. Died Sept. 16, 1872.
- Pfohl, Anna Susanna, born June 16, 1806, near Bethabara, to Johannes Mücke and wife. Married May 5, 1831, to Christian Theodore Pfohl. Died Nov. 18, 1872.
- Crist, Jacob Rudolph, born Dec. 2, 1808, to Rudolph Crist and Anna Christina m.n. Blum. Married Nov. 12, 1845, to Miranda Rosalia Keehn. Died Jan. 25, 1873.
- Leinbach, Anne Louisa, born Feb. 16, 1873, to R. P. Leinbach and Sarah m.n. Blum. Died Feb. 18, 1873.
- Zevely, Susan Elizabeth, daughter of Simon Peter and Benigna m.n. Böhner. Married Aug. 20, 1826, to Van Neman Zevely. Died Mar. 23, 1873.
- Lash, Ida Florence, born Sept. 2, 1857, at Waughtown, to Henry M. Lash and Eliza Louisa m.n. Blum. Died Apr. 5, 1873.
- Lineback, Beatus, infant son of Julius A. Lineback and Anna S. m.n. Vogler. Born and died Apr. 7, 1873.
- Shaffner, Catharine, born Oct. 1, 1780, at Bethania, to George M. Rank and Elisabeth m.n. Leinbach. Married (1) Apr. 25, 1811, to Geo. P. Hauser (died 1816). Married (2) Oct. 22, 1820, to John Shaffner. Died Apr. 29, 1873. [Salem Diary: She has been the oldest member of the congregation for several years, having reached the age of 92 years, 6 mos. and 28 days.]
- Hauser, William, born July 1, 1802, near Bethania, to John Hauser and Elisabeth m.n. Beckel. Married Nov. 29, 1832, to Anna Susanna m.n. Shultz. Died May 7, 1873.
- Haman, Rebecca, born June 13, 1797, at Nazareth, Pa., to Jacob and Barbara Schnall. Married Sept. 13, 1832, to Adam Haman. Died June 27, 1873.
- Hughes, Minnie Bertha, daughter of Henry Hughes and Martha m.n. Collins. Died Sept. 6, 1873.
- Spach, Clarence Theodore, born Nov. 3, 1852, at Winston, to Wm. Edward Spach and Eunice Rebecca m.n. Marshall. Died Oct. 27, 1873.
- Brooks, Laura Amanda, born Oct. 25, 1869, to Charles B. Brooks and Elisabeth C. m.n. Lemly. Died Oct. 27, 1873.
- Reich, Lena Cecilia, born Oct. 30, 1871, to Joseph H. Reich and Sarah A. m.n. Wolfe. Died Nov. 11, 1873.
- Hege, Christian, born Mar. 24, 1797, at Friedberg, to Lazarus Hege and Eva m.n. Fisher. Married Feb. 24, 1822, to Anna Maria Vogler. Died Nov. 20, 1873.
- Chitty, John Jacob, born June 12, 1800, near Bethabara. Married (1) June 14, 1827, to Anna Dorothea Leinbach (died 1840). Married (2) July 27, 1853, to Salome Rothrock. Died Nov. 22, 1873.
- Shultz, Christina m.n. Hein, born June 28, 1789. Married Nov. 16, 1819, to Saml. Shultz. Died Dec. 12, 1873.
- Reich, Martha m.n. Geiger, born Jan. 23, 1805, near Bethania. Married May 25, 1843, to Jacob Reich. Died Dec. 28, 1873.
- Starr, Elizabeth m.n. Shouse, born Feb. 1, 1792, near Bethabara. Married [blank]. Died Dec. 31, 1873.
- Snyder, Martha Lucinda, born Oct. 10, 1873, to Sandford Snyder and Maria m.n. Griffin. Died Jan. 5, 1874.
- Fisher, James M., born Jan. 8, 1818, near Friedberg. Married (1) Jan. 16, 1845, to Paulina Catharine m.n. Schneider (died 1853). Married (2) July 11, 1854, to Francisca Louisa Benzien. Died Feb. 23, 1874.
- Spach, Frederica Charlotte m.n. Ebbecke, born Mar. 1, 1808, near Schoeneck, Pa. Married Aug. 9, 1831, to David Spach. Died Mar. 26, 1874.
- Waggoman, Martha J. m.n. Hardgrave, born Nov. 7, 1833, in Stokes County. Married Sept. 6, 1865, to John Waggoman. Died Mar. 7, 1874. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Herman, Adelaide Matilda, born Oct. 26, 1829, at Nazareth, Pa., to Rt. Rev. John G. Herman and Anna Paulina m.n. Shober. Died Apr. 20, 1874, at Bethlehem, Pa. Her remains were brought here for interment on Apr. 24, 1874.

- Boner, Joseph William, born Aug. 30, 1798, near Bethania, to Isaac and Dorothea Boner. Married in 1861 to Mary Ferabee. Died Apr. 23, 1874.
- Pfohl, Samuel Thomas, born Aug. 15, 1801, to Christian Thomas Pfohl and Elisabeth m.n. Fockel. Married June 12, 1827, to Elisabeth Schröter. Died May 26, 1874.
- Crouse, Adelaide May, born Jan. 9, 1873, to Daniel T. Crouse and Frances widow Winters m.n. Tate. Died July 18, 1874.
- Waggoman, Laura Virginia, born Dec. 25, 1867, to John Waggoman and Martha J. m.n. Hardgrave. Died Aug. 8, 1874.
- Shultz, Johanna Elisabeth, born Dec. 24, 1796, to Samuel Shultz and Susanna m.n. Hauser. Died Aug. 15, 1874.
- Blum, John Nathaniel, born July 18, 1811, to John Jacob Blum and Maria Catherine m.n. Christ widow Fetter. Married Sept. 30, 1834, to Catharine Nading. Died Aug. 28, 1874.
- Butner, Christina, born July 13, 1802, at Friedberg, to Lazarus Hege and Eva m.n. Fischer. Married June 5, 1828, to Adam Butner. Died Oct. 29, 1874. [Salem Diary: Hers is the first departure in their family. During the 46 years of her union with Br. B., they have not lost any one of their 7 children or of their grandchildren, nor has either of them been seriously ill.]
- Shaub, Fidelia Amanda, born July 21, 1842, at Liberty, to Solomon Shaub and Anna m.n. Geiger. Died Nov. 4, 1874.
- Chitty, Caroline Isabella, born Aug. 20, 1852, to Traugott Chitty and Cath. Frederica m.n. Ruede. Died Nov. 7, 1874.
- Chitty, Traugott, born Apr. 26, 1810, near Bethabara, to John Chitty and Margaret m.n. Crouse. Married July 25, 1837, to Catharine Frederica m.n. Ruede. Died Dec. 14, 1874. [Salem Diary: Five grown children had preceded him, carried off by the same complaint, consumption. Five years ago, to the very day and hour his youngest son Henry died of the same disease at New Philadelphia.]
- Reich, Emanuel, born Sept. 16, 1807, to John Christopher Reich and Catharine m.n. Transu. Married Apr. 28, 1831, to Agnes Christina Ruede. Died Feb. 9, 1875.
- Cooper, Nathaniel Blum, born Sept. 24, 1873, to Willm. J. Cooper and Jane C. m.n. Blum. Died Feb. 14, 1875.
- Vest, Laura Victoria, born June 14, 1856, to J. P. Vest and Lucy Ann m.n. Davis. Died Feb. 20, 1875.
- Norwood, Anna Caroline, born Dec. 28, 1850, to Rt. Rev. George F. Bahnson and Anna Gertrude Paulina m.n. Conrad. Married June 22, 1874, to Thos. L. Norwood. Died Apr. 15, 1875.
- Boner, Isaac Gottlieb, son of Evan Boner and Sophia D. m.n. Byhan. Died Apr. 25, 1875.
- Lineback, Anna Abigail, born July 20, 1807, to John Lineback and Elisabeth m.n. Transu. Died June 12, 1875.
- Stockton, Susan Elisabeth, daughter of Joseph and Julia Stockton. Died June 27, 1875.
- Ackerman, Rudelphia m.n. Kearney, born July 26, 1818, near Bethania. Married Jan. 12, 1843, to Allan Ackerman. Died July 1, 1875.
- Fisher, Sarah Ann Elisabeth, born Feb. 4, 1849, to William Hauser and Anna Susanna m.n. Shultz. Married Mar. 5, 1874, to Charles Leon Fisher. Died July 5, 1875.
- Lineback, Regina Elisabeth, born May 18, 1805, to John Lineback and Elis. m.n. Transu. Died July 17, 1875.
- Mickey, Rufus Francis, born Mar. 1, 1869, near Salem, to Francis Mickey and Sarah Elis. m.n. Ferguson. Died Sept. 28, 1875. [Salem Diary: He died of the malignant sore throat.]
- Mickey, Harriet Ida, born Nov. 1, 1872, near Salem, to Francis Mickey and Sarah Elis. m.n. Ferguson. Died Oct. 2, 1875. [Salem Diary: She died of the sore throat, or diphtheria.]
- Blum, Anna Margaret, born Apr. 4, 1809, to John Fred. Becker and Anna Elis. m.n. Schneider. Married Oct. 28, 1841, to John Henry Blum. Died Oct. 31, 1875.
- Waggoman, Sarah Jane, born Mar. 19, 1851, to John Henry Waggoman and Lisette m.n. Shouse. Died Nov. 20, 1875.
- Shore, Lindsay Theodore, son of Henry W. Shore and Lavinia A. m.n. Boyer. Died Mar. 20, 1876.

- Hughes, Martha m.n. Collins, born Apr. 1, 1836, in Stokes County. Married Apr. 22, 1852, to Henry Hughes. Died Apr. 29, 1876.
- Boner, Thomas Jacob, born Dec. 8, 1803, at Bethania, to Isaac and Dorothea Boner. Married June 23, 1840, to Phebe Elisab. Nading. Died May 14, 1876.
- Lash, Mary m.n. Transu, born June 26, 1801, at Bethania. Married Dec. 11, 1821, to Charles Isaac Lash. Died June 4, 1876.
- Siddall, Theresa Wilhelmina, born Oct. 6, 1815, to John Fred. Belo and Maria m.n. Strub. Married Apr. 11, 1840, to Thomas A. Siddall. Died June 6, 1876.
- Hughes, Benjamin Franklin, born July 22, 1875, to Henry Hughes and Martha m.n. Collins. Died June 22, 1876.
- Reich, Frederic Jacob, born Feb. 16, 1800, to John Christopher Reich and Catharine m.n. Transu. Married (1) Apr. 12, 1832, to Nancy Geiger (died 1833). Married (2) May 25, 1843, to Martha Geiger. Died July 6, 1876.
- Pfohl, Anna Elisabeth, born Mar. 6, 1806, to John Gottlob Schröter and Mary Ann m.n. Peddicourt. Married June 12, 1827, to Samuel Thos. Pfohl. Died July 4, 1876. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Stauber, Anna Catharine, born Oct. 19, 1793, at Bethabara. Died July 9, 1876.
- Shaub, Anna m.n. Geiger, born Aug. 11, 1813, near Bethania. Married Oct. 10, 1839, to Solomon Shaub. Died July 17, 1876.
- Rank, Salome Margaret, born Mar. 25, 1825, to Jacob Miller and Anna m.n. Bodenhammer. Married Apr. 13, 1848, to George Parmenio Rank. Died July 8, 1876. Her remains were interred in the Bethabara graveyard. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Vogler, Hannah Catharine, born Mar. 15, 1826, near Salem. Died Aug. 17, 1876.
- Peterson, Paulina Delphina m.n. Stoltz, born Jan. 13, 1836, near Bethania. Married July 11, 1861, to William P. Peterson. Died Sept. 30, 1876.
- Crosland, Robert Emanuel, born Nov. 1, 1875, to B. F. Crosland and Louisa m.n. Shober. Died Oct. 29, 1876.
- Vogler, Elias Alexander, born Oct. 31, 1825, to John Vogler and Christina m.n. Spach. Married Oct. 21, 1847, to Emma A. Reich. Died Nov. 17, 1876. [Salem Diary: His loss will be felt not only by his own family, but by the congregation of which he was the Treasurer, which office he has very ably filled.]
- Wurreschke, Ludwig Joseph, born Nov. 15, 1876, to Ludwig B. Wurreschke and Josephine m.n. Alector. Died Dec. 11, 1876.

Salem Register: Non-Members, 1867-1876

Baptisms of Non-Members

- Shouse, Robert Irenaeus, born Aug. 30, 1867, to John Henry Shouse and Virginia Eliza m.n. Conrad. Baptized Feb. 3, 1868.
- Waggoman, Laura Virginia, born Dec. 25, 1867, to John Waggoman and Martha Jane m.n. Hardgrave. Baptized Apr. 4, 1868.
- Sowers, Lewis Winkler, born Nov. 3, 1868, to Jacob Sowers and Sarah widow Pingston widow Miller m.n. Winkler. Baptized Dec. 27, 1868.
- Wheeler, Mary Louisa, born Oct. 16, 1868, to William Wheeler and Adelaide m.n. Shober. Baptized Feb. 6, 1869.
- Ladek, Pauline Elisabeth, born Sept. 26, 1867, to John Ladek and Lucinda P. m.n. Starr. Baptized Sept. 12, 1868, in the Salem parsonage.
- Waggoman, Harriet Eugenia, born Apr. 17, 1870, to John H. Waggoman and Martha J. m.n. Hardgrave. Baptized Aug. 13, 1870, at the house of the child's grandmother.
- Jacobs, Etta May, born to Charles H. and Laura M. Jacobs. Baptized Oct. 9, 1870, at the parents' house.
- Wheeler, Charles Shober, born Dec. 13, 1870, to William Wheeler and Adelaide m.n. Shober. Baptized Jan. 15, 1871, at the parents' house.
- Crossland, Edward Shober, born Apr. 11, 1871, to Benjamin F. Crossland and Louisa m.n. Shober. Baptized July 2, 1871, in the Salem church.

Holt, John Orrin Shell, born Mar. 12, 1871, to Jacob Holt and Abigail P. m.n. Slater. Baptized Aug. 5, 1871, in the Salem parsonage.

Wheeler, Ellen May, born Mar. 11, 1873, to William Wheeler and Adelaide m.n. Shober. Baptized Aug. 13, 1873.

Petre, William Wesley, born May 5, 1873, to Julius Petre and Cornelia m.n. Long. Baptized Feb. 21, 1874.

Conrad, Lucinda Knight, born Jan. 22, 1875, to J. Calvin and Mollie Conrad. Baptized Mar. 28, 1875, in the Salem church.

Lemly, Henry Conrad, born July 2, 1874, to Ithiel T. Lemly, M.D., and Martha Ann m.n. McArthur (since deceased). Baptized Nov. 21, 1875, at the house of the grandparents Lemly.

Crosland, Robert Emanuel, born Nov. 1, 1875, to B. F. Crosland and [blank] m.n. Shober. Baptized Jan. 30, 1876, in the Salem church.

Garboden, Della Gertrude, born Nov. 3, 1875, to James Garboden and [blank] m.n. Pickel. Baptized Jan. 30, 1876, in the Salem church.

Marriages of Non-Members

Sowers, Jacob, married Oct. 23, 1867, to Sarah Miller widow Pingston, m.n. Winkler.

Miller, Harman, married July 28, 1868, to Mary Warner.

Kirk, William E, married Nov 2, 1871, to Georgina E. Pasteur, daughter of R. M. Pasteur. She is a scholar at the Salem Female Academy. All are from New Orleans.

Deaths and Burials of Non-Members

[All burials are in the Salem God's Acre (the graveyard) unless otherwise stated.]

Waggaman, Eva Leonora, born June 26, 1866, in Winston, to John Henry Waggaman and Martha Jane m.n. Hardgrave. Died Jan. 30, 1867.

Rights, Samuel Zacharias, born Oct. 23, 1822, at Salem, to Matthew Rights and Elizabeth m.n. Hege. Died Feb. 8, 1867.

Lott, William Capers, born Jan. 21, 1867, at Salem, to H. D. Lott and E. J. m.n. Lott. Died July 26, 1867.

Brown, Susanna m.n. Flynn, born Jan. 28, 1762, in Caswell County. Married in her 23d year to [blank] Brown. She lost her husband in the War of 1812. He was in the army and died of fever while at Norfolk. She afterwards moved to Salem with her family of young children. She well remembered the war of the revolution, and spoke of having seen the armies during that time. Died Nov. 29, 1867. Buried in the County graveyard.

Riddle, Fannie Oscar, born Sept. 20, 1859, in Linden, Marengo County, Ala. Died July 1, 1868.

Holland, Junius R., born Feb. 4, 1834, to Timothy Holland and wife. Died Apr. 6, 1865, on the battlefield, where he was buried. Br. Bahnson preached the funeral Sept. 20, 1868, at Maple Springs.

Alspaugh, Olivia G., widow Steadman m.n. Gibson, born Feb. 22, 1829, in Stokes County. Married (1) December 1848 to Dr. W. W. Steadman (died). Married (2) Mar. 1861 to J. W. Alspaugh. Died Oct. 24, 1868. Buried in Salem Cemetery.

Brewer, Lavinia, born July 25, 1846. Her mother was Mary Lumly. Married to Harrison Brewer. Died Nov. 6, 1868. Buried in the County graveyard.

Chaffin, William Henry, born Mar. 2, 1862, at Salem, to Nathan Chaffin. Died Dec. 11, 1868. Buried in Salem Cemetery.

Miller, Walter, born to Harman Miller and Mary m.n. Warner. Died Feb. 23, 1869. Buried in Salem Cemetery.

Crossland, Frank Louis, born Aug. 21, 1865, at Salisbury, to B. F. Crossland and Louisa M. m.n. Shober. Died 1869.

Faircloth, Louisa, born Sept. 1, 1825, near Salem, to Jacob and Mary Rothhaas. Married in 1842 to Thomas Faircloth. Died Oct. 22, 1869.

Veach, Jane L. B., born July 18, 1855, near Brookstown, to Josephus Veach and Rebecca m.n. Cline. Died May 3, 1871.

- Thomas, James Francis, born June 15, 1857. Died May 12, 1871. Buried in Salem Cemetery.
- Roberts, Mary Elisabeth, born Aug. 27, 1853. Died Oct. 5, 1871. She was a scholar at the Salem Female Academy. Buried in God's Acre; later removed to her home near Tallahassee, Fla.
- Veach, Amanda Jane m.n. Price, born Feb. 3, 1839, at Greensboro, to [blank] and Barbara Price. Married July 5, 1857, to J.G. Veach. Died Nov. 25, 1871.
- Sites, George Walter, born Jan. 19, 1834, in Campbell County, Va. Editor of *The People's Press*. Died Mar. 3, 1872. Buried in Salem Cemetery.
- Shore, Walter Eugene, born Dec. 21, 1872, at Salem, to Jonas A. Shore and Elisabeth m.n. Thomas. Died Feb. 7, 1873.
- Baker, Ruth Sandusky, born Apr. 27, 1810, in Guilford County, to Stephen Payne and Peggy m.n. Moore. Married Feb. 7, 1841, to Lorenzo D. Baker. Died Jan. 14, 1875.
- Miller, Myrtle Maud, born Nov. 24, 1874, at Salem, to [blank] Miller and his wife Laura widow Chitty m.n. Transou. Died Feb. 2, 1875.
- Phillips, Esther m.n. Vickrey, born in Randolph County. Married to William Phillips. Died Mar. 17, 1875. [Buried in Salem Cemetery.]
- Waggoman, John Henry, born Mar. 10, 1818, to Christian Wagemann and Mary m.n. Folz. Married (1) in 1839 to Lisette Shaus (died 1851). Married Sept. 6, 1865, to Martha J. Hardgrave. Died Apr. 10, 1875.
- Lemly, Martha Ann, born July 17, 1853, to Perry and Elis. J. McArthur. Married June 3, 1873, to Dr. Ithiel T. Lemly. Died Aug. 18, 1875.
- Douthit, Nancy m.n. Sprinke, born Feb. 27, 1813. Married to [blank] Douthit. Died May 23, 1876.
- Smith, Mary Jane, born Apr. 16, 1804, in Anson County. Since the age of 16 she resided in the family of her uncle, Br. Van Zevely. Died May 28, 1876.

Salem Diary Entries, 1867-1876

[Church Register material that was recorded only in the Salem Diary. The following is the entirety of the material.]

Baptism

Shore, infant daughter of Hy. Wash. Shore. Baptized Dec. 22, 1867.

Marriages

- Pfohl, Augustus, a widower, married Sept. 19, 1867, to the single Jane Reich.
- Smith, Jacob, age 68 years, a member of Friedland, married Oct. 10, 1876, to the widow Mary Swaim m.n. Smith, age 61 years.
- Hasten, Pleasant S., of Forsyth County, married Oct. 19, 1876, to Martha Jane Micke, a Presbyterian.

Deaths and Burials

- Swaringen, Mrs. Killed by lightning June 27, 1867. Funeral preached that weekend at Macedonia.
- Foster, Carrie. Died Feb. 13, 1871. She was a pupil in the Female Academy.
- Swim, a young man employed by Samuel Mickey. He was drowned May 21, 1871, at Mickey's mill pond. He had taken some of his lady friends there for a drive, and was trying a boat, in which he wished them to go with him, when suddenly it either sprang a leak or upset, and he, not being able to swim, lost his life.
- Holland, Mr., a resident of Winston. Died Oct. 22, 1873.
- Tilkey, Sarah, a pupil in the Female Academy. She was badly burned Nov. 28, 1873, and died the next day. Her parents took her remains home to Augusta, Ga.
- Miller, Mrs. Harman. Funeral preached Dec. 7, 1873, in Winston.

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Infant Baptisms

- (Siewers), William Tony, born Oct. 8, 1866, to William (Siewers) and Aggie. Baptized Feb. 19, 1867, in the [Salem] parsonage.
- (Fulkerson), Sarah Elisabeth, born Feb. 17, 1867, to Henderson and Ann (Fulkerson). Baptized May 5, 1867, in the church.
- (Fulkerson), Edward Augustus, born Feb. 17, 1867, to Henderson and Ann (Fulkerson). Baptized May 5, 1867, in the church.
- (Zevely), Laura Cornelia, born Aug. 31, 1867, to Ben (Zevely) and Lavina (Hunt). Baptized Nov. 1867, in the church.
- Siewers, William Henry, born to Richard Siewers and his wife Anne (not members). Baptized Apr. 5, 1868.
- (Fries), Lee Henry, born Sept. 7, 1867, to John (Fries) and Mary (not members). Baptized May 3, 1868, in the church.
- Fries, Jenny Ann, born Oct. 2, 1867, to Wash. Fries and Harriet (not members). Baptized May 3, 1868, in the church.
- Paulina Jane Elisabeth, born May 18, 1867. Baptized May 3, 1868, in the church.
- (Lemly), George Thomas, born Dec. 17, 1867, to Edw. Lemly and wife Alice. Baptized May 10, 1868, in the church.
- (Vogler), Nelly Ann, born Feb. 11, 1868, to Alex. Vogler and wife Priscilla. Baptized May 10, 1868, in the church.
- (Hege), Anna Cornelia, born Aug. 11, 1868, to Lewis (Hege) and wife Dinah. Baptized Feb. 14, 1869.
- (Zevely), Henry Alexander, born Mar. 12, 1870, to Br. Benjamin (Zevely) and wife Lavina. Baptized July 10, 1870, in the church.
- (Fulkerson), James Arthur, born Aug. 7, 1869, to Henderson and wife Ann (Fulkerson). Baptized July 10, 1870.
- Siewers, Adelaide Gertrude, born June 21, 1870, to Richard and Anna Siewers. Baptized Sept. 25, 1870, in the church.
- Atwood, Rosa Cornelia, born July 20, 1871, to Elijah Atwood and wife Sophia m.n. Spach-Hamilton. Baptized Sept. 17, 1871, in the church.
- Zevely, Walter Augustine, born Jan. 21, 1873, to Benjamin and Viney Zevely. Baptized May 22, 1873, at the house of E. A. de Schweinitz.
- Zevely, Rosa Lee, born Feb. 3, 1875, to Benj. and Viney Zevely. Baptized Apr. 25, 1875, in the church.
- Banner, Joseph Henry, born Jan. 26, 1873, to Joseph Banner, deceased, and Emily Banner. Baptized May 23, 1875, in the church.

Adult Baptisms

- Vogler, Priscilla, wife of Alex Vogler. Baptized Oct. 13, 1867.
- Zevely, Martha, daughter of Ben Zevely. Baptized Oct. 13, 1867.
- (Boner), Charles, young man living with Joshua Boner. Baptized Apr. 26, 1868.
- (Fulkerson), Eliza, young woman, formerly servant at J. L. Fulkerson's. Baptized Apr. 26, 1868.
- Hauser, Anna, wife of Joseph Hauser, lives on Fries plantation. Baptized July 14, 1872, at Crater's school house.
- Bitting, Mary Luster, an unmarried woman living near New Philadelphia Church. Baptized July 14, 1872, at Crater's S. House.
- Bitting, Mary, an unmarried woman living near New Philadelphia Church. Baptized July 14, 1872, at Crater's S. House.

Atwood, Elijah, aged about 40 years, living in Salem, husband of Sr. Sophia Atwood m.n. Spach. Baptized Apr. 12, 1874.
 Zevely, Lavina, wife of Br. Benj. Zevely, living at Salem, aged about 33 years. Baptized Apr. 12, 1874.
 Lott, Angelica, an unmarried woman in her 19th year, living at Mr. Lott's in Salem. Baptized Apr. 12, 1874.
 Fisher, Mary, an unmarried woman in her 18th year, living at Salem. Baptized Apr. 12, 1874.
 Minung, Elvira, wife of A. Minung, living near Salem. Baptized Apr. 25, 1875.
 Banner, Emily, a widow, aged about 24 years, lives in Winston. Baptized Apr. 25, 1875.
 Chaffin, Caroline, an unmarried woman, about 30 years of age, lives on Happy Hill. Baptized Apr. 25, 1875.

Deaths and Burials

(Wilson), Adia, daughter of Henry and Sophia (Wilson). Died Apr. 29, 1867 [?].
 William [Hampton], formerly property of Jno. G. Spach, oldest member of the congregation. Died Jan. 10, 1867.
 (Wheeler), unbaptized infant of Hiram (Wheeler) and Adeline, his wife. Died Jan. 16, 1867.
 Lilia Anna Elisabeth, daughter of Claiborne and wife Amanda. Died Feb. 13, 1867. Aged 3 months, 2 weeks.
 Waugh, Charlotte, wife of Wallis Waugh.
 (Hege), unbaptized infant of Lewis (Hege) and Dinah.
 (Fulkerson), child of Henderson and Ann (Fulkerson)
 Ted, servant of S.Z. Rights.
 (Shober), David. Died Feb. 14, 1867.
 Unknown.
 Kleinert, Lewis, from beyond Waughtown.
 Unknown.
 Unknown.
 Unknown.
 (Fries), Carl, no member. Died May 1868.
 (Byerle), Sam. Died June 9, 1868. An aged member.
 (Mickey), Lucinda. Died Sept. 22, 1868.
 Unknown.
 Unknown.
 (Butler), Catharine. Died at Waughtown (stranger).
 Franklin, unbaptized infant of Burrell Lemors and Thyrese Hill.
 Unbaptized infant of [blank] and Teresa (strangers).
 Child of Carl (Fries) and Miranda (Butner). Died June 24, 1869.
 (Sides), Ned, stranger. Died June 24, 1869.
 (Hege), Maria, member? Died July 8, 1869.
 King, Amelia.
 (Fries), Eddie, unbaptized child of Christian (Fries) and wife. Died July 21, 1869.
 Waugh, Wallis (son of Sultana). Died Feb. 12, 1870
 (Wilson), Nat, no member. Died Mar. 1870.
 Fries, Fanny, wife of Adam Fries. No member. Died Apr. 11, 1870.
 Kelly, unbaptized male child of Elias Kelly (no member).
 Fries, Sylvia, wife of George Fries (no member). Died July 8, 1870.
 Fries, Orly, unbaptized daughter of Christian Fries (no member). Died July 18, 1870.
 Hanes, Mary, daughter of Amos Hanes (no member). Died Aug. 10, 1870.
 Spach, Flora, daughter of Calphena Spach (no member.) Died Aug. 13, 1870.
 Keehln, Charity, no member, an old woman. Died Aug. 18, 1870.
 Rights, Adeline, daughter of Hiram Rights (no member). Died Aug. 27, 1870.
 Fries, Adam, an old man, no member. Died Sept. 7, 1870.
 Wilson, Leah, no member. Died Nov. 13, 1870.
 Jacob, grandson of Jerry Blum. Died Nov. 20, 1870.

Rights, wife of Hiram Rights, no member. Died June 1, 1871.
 Clayton, wife of Eli Clayton, no member. Died June 26, 1871.
 Child of Joseph, no member. Died June 16, 1871.
 Clayton, infant of Eli Clayton, no member. Died Aug. 24, 1871.
 Hannah, child of William Hannah, no member. Died Aug. 28, 1871.
 Rights-Hege, Amy, wife of Thomas Hege. Died Oct. 24, 1871.
 Sides, Charles, son of Eli Sides, no member. Died Apr. 7, 1873. Aged about 15 years.
 Patterson, infant child of Harris Patterson. Buried Apr. 10, 1873.
 Blum, Viney, a member of the congregation. Died May 18, 1873. Aged about 67 years.
 Fletcher, Hannah, a very aged member of the congregation. Died Aug. 1873.
 Zevely, Walter Augustine, son of Br. Benj. and Viney Zevely. Died Dec. 19, 1873. Aged 11 months, less 2 days.
 Atwood, unbaptized infant of Br. and Sr. Elijah Atwood. Died June 25, 1874. Aged 4 years.
 Banner, Joseph, a married man, son of Martin Banner, no member. Died Oct. 6, 1874. Aged about 25 years. [African Church Diary: He lived in "Happy Hill" or Liberia.]
 Banner, Martin, a married man, father of the above named Joseph, a nominal member of congregation. Died Mar. 11, 1875. Age unknown.
 Houser, Louisa L., unbaptized daughter of Ned Houser (Byerly or Fries). Died Apr. 2, 1875. Aged about 7 months.
 Houser, Mary Alice, unbaptized daughter of Ned Houser (Byerly or Fries). Died July 7, 1875. Aged about 4 years.
 Stafford, Stella Elisabeth, daughter of Harris Stafford and his wife, Sr. Dorcas Stafford. Died July 14, 1875. Age about 8 years.
 Shouse, Alexander, a married man, about 37 years old, no church member. Died July 18, 1875. He died on the Sheriff Masten place, where he lived.
 Jarret, Mattie, born Mar. 30, 1870, granddaughter of Br. B. Zevely, unbaptized. Died Oct. 17, 1875.
 Burk, Clara, daughter of Jacob Burk and wife Lindy (Sides), mother member. Died Jan. 29, 1876. Aged about 6 months.
 Gibson, Charles, a Methodist, an old man who as a lad was the waiting boy of Col. Forsyth in War of 1812. Died Jan. 28 or 29, 1876.
 Fries, Edward, son of Betsey Byerly. Died Feb. 14, 1876. Aged about 45 years.
 Holland, Priscilla, an aged member of the congregation. Died Feb. 17, 1876. [African Church Diary: She lived with her daughter Caroline Banner on Happy Hill.]
 Siewers, Anna Lavina, daughter of Lewis Foltz. Married to Richard Siewers. Not a communicant member. Died May 6, 1876. Aged 28 years.

African American Church Diary Entries 1867-1876

[Church Register material that was recorded only in the Diary of the African Congregation in Salem. The following is the entirety of the material.]

Marriage

"Foltz," Lewis, married Feb. 20, 1868, to Lucy "Blum."

Deaths and Burials

"Blum," an unbaptized child of Caroline "Blum." Buried Feb. 22, 1868.

Celia, mother of Susan (at Mr. Brietz's), an old colored woman who died at the poor house.

Funeral preached Nov. 22, 1868.

Banner, John W., son of Martin Banner. Died Dec. 29, 1873, aged about 18 years. Funeral preached Aug. 2, 1874, at the Salem colored church.

Banner, infant son of Joseph Banner. Died several years before the funeral, which was preached Aug. 2, 1874, at the Salem colored church.

Gray, Willie Tatum, son of Sr. Emily Banner by her first husband. Died April 20, 1874. Funeral preached May 23, 1875, at the Salem colored church.

Butner, Willie, aged 17 years, 10 months, and 14 days. Buried Apr. 9, 1876, at Waughtown.

Butner, Sylvia, an old woman but no member of our Church. Buried Nov. 14, 1876, at Waughtown.

Bethania Register, 1867-1876

Infant Baptisms

Buttner, Anna Loretta, born Nov. 19, 1866, to Alvin Butner and Clarinda m.n. Oehman. Baptized Jan. 27, 1867, [Bethania Diary: at the parents' house].

Petree, Idora Lilla Bell, born Oct. 9, 1866, to Joshua J. Petree and Angelica m.n. Shultz. Baptized Feb. 17, 1867, at Bethabara.

Stauber, Samuel Henry, born Jan. 14, 1867, to Samuel Stauber and Mary Jane m.n. Dull. Baptized Mar. 10, 1867.

Stauber, Sallie Loreno, born Mar. 7, 1867, to Tobias J. Stauber and Cornelia m.n. Lash. Baptized Apr. 19, 1867, [Bethania Diary: at the house of Sr. Sallie Stoltz].

Grabs, Dora Artansa, born June 15, 1867, to Lewis Edwin Grabs and Lucy Harriet m.n. Spainhour. Baptized July 14, 1867, at Crooked Run.

Butner, Caroline Elizabeth, born June 8, 1867, to William Nathan Butner and Mary Caroline m.n. Carney. Baptized Aug. 11, 1867.

Carney, John Henry, born June 26, 1867, to Eli Wesley Carney and Mary m.n. Holder. Baptized Aug. 11, 1867.

Conrad, Rebecca Catharine, born Sept. 9, 1867, to Jonathan Conrad and Elizabeth m.n. Shultz. Baptized Oct. 25, 1867.

Lehman, Lilian, born Oct. 7, 1867, to Oliver J. Lehman and Jane m.n. Doub. Baptized Jan. 19 [Bethania Diary: Jan. 26], 1868, at the house of Br. O. Lehman.

Transou, Mary Rebecca, born Jan. 12, 1868, to Joseph Transou and Sophia m.n. Leinbach. Baptized Feb. 1, 1868, at the parents' house.

Shultz, Louisa Isabella, born Oct. 27, 1867, to Edwin Theodore Shultz and Julia Ann m.n. Lock. Baptized Feb. 29, 1868, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Stauber, Florina Maud, born June 9, 1868, to Tobias J. Stauber and Cornelia M. m.n. Lash. Baptized July 19, 1868.

Hiatt, Augusta Hermon, born Dec. 25, 1867, to Jesse E. Hiatt and Joanna Elisabeth m.n. Scott. Baptized Oct. 25, 1868, at Mt. Bethel.

Butner, Sarah Ann Elisabeth, born Sept. 17, 1868, to James Clementine Butner and Lydia Esther m.n. Brady. Baptized Nov. 15, 1868, at the house of Alvin Butner.

Miller, Joseph Rufus, born July 2, 1868, to Alexander Miller and Sarah Rebecca m.n. Transou. Baptized Nov. 7, 1868, [Bethania Diary: at the house of Alexander Shore]. [Recorded out of sequence.]

Dull, Minerva, born June 30, 1868, to Edwin C. Dull and Florence M. m.n. Coltrain. Baptized Nov. 21, 1868, [Bethania Diary: at Spanish Grove].

Pfaff, Flora Amelia, born Aug. 27, 1868, to Francis W. Pfaff and Sarah Elizabeth m.n. Miller. Baptized Nov. 21, 1868, [Bethania Diary: at Spanish Grove].

Strupe, Oran Francis, born Oct. 29, 1868, to Levine Junius Strupe and Sarah Elisabeth m.n. Reich. Baptized Dec. 20, 1868.

Stauber, William Edwin, born Jan. 4, 1869, to Samuel Stauber and Jane m.n. Dull. Baptized Mar. 21, 1869.

Masecup, Mary Julina, born Feb. 3, 1869, to George Francis Masecup and Louisa C. m.n. Faircloth. Baptized Apr. 4, 1869, [Bethania Diary: at the house of William Stultz].

Grabs, Walter Frederick [F. Walter], born Feb. 11, 1869, to William Grabs and Amelia m.n. Stoltz. Baptized Apr. 11, 1869.

- Conrad, Priscilla Isabella, born Sept. 5, 1869, to Jonathan Conrad and Louisa Elizabeth m.n. Schultz. Baptized Sept. 25, 1869, at the parents' house.
- Leinbach, Robert Hezekiah, born Oct. 19, 1868, to Junius Leinbach and Sarah Rebecca m.n. Conrad. Baptized Mar. 10, 1869. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Kearney, Edwin Eugene, born Sept. 28, 1869, to Wesley Kearney and Mary M. m.n. Holder. Baptized Nov. 28, 1869, at the parents' house.
- Stauber, Cora May, born Nov. 12, 1869, to Tobias Stauber and Cornelia M. m.n. Lash. Baptized Dec. 24, 1869.
- Butner, Thomas Alexander, born Jan. 1, 1870, to William Nathan Butner and Maria Catharine m.n. Karney. Baptized Jan. 30, 1870, in the Bethania church.
- Kiser, Charles Lee, born Oct. 22, 1869, to Byron Kiser and Selina Francisca m.n. Spach (non-members). Baptized Feb. 5, 1870, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Shouse, Charles Oscar, born Mar. 24, 1870, to John Henry Shouse and Eliza Virginia m.n. Conrad (non-members). Baptized Apr. 30, 1870, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Stoltz, William Edward, born Mar. 24, 1870, to William Stoltz and Martha m.n. Pursail. Baptized May 5, 1870, at the parents' house.
- Pfaff, Rufus Wesley, born Mar. 6, 1870, to Frank Pfaff and Sarah Elisabeth m.n. Miller (non-members). Baptized June 11, 1870, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Dull, Luella, born Mar. 14, 1870, to Edwin Dull and Florence m.n. Coltrain [Bethania Diary: widow of Jesse Atwood]. Baptized Sept. 17, 1870, at Spanish Grove.
- Leinbach, Ellis Armenius, born Aug. 8, 1870, to Junius Leinbach and Sarah m.n. Conrad. Baptized Dec. 3, 1870, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Strupe, Charles Benjamine, born Feb. 1, 1871, to Levine Strupe and Maria Elisabeth m.n. Reich. Baptized Apr. 2, 1871.
- Shore, Sydney Thomas, born Sept. 23, 1870, to Augustine Shore and Elisabeth m.n. Kiger (non-members). Baptized Feb. 6 [Bethania Diary: Feb. 14], 1871, at the parents' house. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Macecup, Sarah Jane, born Feb. 10, 1871, to George Francis Macecup and Louisa Catherine m.n. Faircloth. Baptized Apr. 16, 1871, at the house of Rinehold Oehman.
- Conrad, Reubin Gilbert, born Jan. 30, 1871, to Carlos Conrad and Jane m.n. Ketner. Baptized Apr. 15, 1871, at Spanish Grove. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Moser, William Alexander, born to Thomas Moser and Francisca m.n. Stauber (non-members). Baptized Aug. 3 [Bethania Report: Sept. 3], 1871, in the Bethania church.
- Holder, Alice Rosa, born Mar. 31, 1871, to Carlos Holder and Nancy m.n. Shelton (non-members). Baptized Apr. 15 [Bethania Diary: May 3], 1871, at the house of Martin Holder. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Kapp, Jamie Lynn, born Nov. 22, 1871, to John Henry Kapp and Sarah Elisabeth m.n. Lehman. Baptized Dec. 31, 1871, at the house of O. J. Lehman.
- Shouse, William Victor, born Nov. 17, 1871, to John Henry Shouse and Eliza Virginia m.n. Conrad (non-members). Baptized Jan. 27, 1872, at the house of David Shouse.
- Stauber, Ellen Sophia, born Mar. 7, 1872, to Tobias Stauber and Cornelia Miranda m.n. Lash. Baptized May 19, 1872.
- Lehman, Eugene Wesley, born Apr. 9, 1872, to Oliver J. Lehman and Jane m.n. Doup. Baptized June 30, 1872, at the house of O. J. Lehman.
- Snyder, John Theophilus, born Feb. 2, 1871, to Joel Snyder and Pamela m.n. Spainhour (non-members). Baptized July 14, 1872, at Crooked Run.
- Spainhour, Ellis Henry, born Aug. 3, 1871, to William Spainhour and Pamela m.n. Grabs (non-members). Baptized July 14, 1872, at Crooked Run.
- Spainhour, Alice Caroline, born Aug. 3, 1871, to William Spainhour and Pamela m.n. Grabs (non-members). Baptized July 14, 1872, at Crooked Run.
- Leinbach, William Alexander, born July 3, 1872, to Junius I. Leinbach and Sarah Rebecca m.n. Conrad. Baptized Aug. [Oct.] 5, 1872, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Dull, John Albert, born to Edwin C. Dull and Florence N. m.n. Coltrain. Baptized Oct. 19, 1872, at Spanish Grove.
- Shultz, Amanda Cordelia, born Oct. 4, 1872, to John Henry Shultz and Emma Catharine m.n. Beck. Baptized Nov. 2, 1872, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

- Conrad, William Walter, born Oct. 26, 1872, to Carlos Conrad and Jane Elisabeth m.n. Ketner. Baptized Nov. 18, 1872, at Spanish Grove.
- Kapp, Thomas Eugene, born Sept. 15, 1872, to John Henry Kapp and Sarah Elizabeth m.n. Lehman. Baptized Dec. 8, 1872, at the house of Br. Oliver Lehman.
- Conrad, Allie Johanna, born Aug. 20, 1872, to Alpheus S. Conrad and Sarah Ann m.n. Hire. Baptized Dec. 13, 1872, at the parents' house.
- Kearney, William Wesley, born Aug. 10, 1872, to Wesley Kearney and Mary m.n. Holder. Baptized Dec. 22, 1872, at the house of Br. Wesley Kearney.
- Kearney, Ellen Elvira, born Aug. 10, 1872, to Wesley Kearney and Mary m.n. Holder. Baptized Dec. 22, 1872, at the house of Br. Wesley Kearney.
- Pfaff, Orran Victor, born Nov. 22, 1872, to Flavious N. Pfaff and Mary Catharine m.n. Leinbach. Baptized Jan. 4, 1873, at the house of Josiah Leinbach.
- Holder, Charles Augustine, born Sept. 24, 1872, to William Carlos Holder and Nancy m.n. Shelton (non-members). Baptized Feb. 1, 1873, at Pleasant Ridge meeting house.
- Beck, Cora Lee, born July 22, 1873, to Mary Harriett Beck (non-member). Baptized Aug. 9, 1873, at the house of Emmanuel Beck.
- Butner, John Henry, born Feb. 1, 1873, to James Clementine Butner and Lydia Esther m.n. Brady. Baptized Aug. 17, 1873, at the Bethania church.
- Shultz, Julia Catharine, born May 25, 1873, to Edwin Shultz and Julia Ann m.n. Lawrence. Baptized Sept. 6, 1873.
- Reich, Clara Amelia, born Sept. 30, 1873, to Rufus D. Reich and Mary Jane m.n. Wald-raven. Baptized Dec. 16, 1873.
- Messencup, William Henry, born Oct. 25, 1873, to George Francis Messencup and Louisa Catherine m.n. Faircloth. Baptized Dec. 31, 1873.
- Mock, Arthur Cornelius, born Dec. 22, 1873, to George Francis Mock and Adaline Lauretta m.n. Shouse (non-members). Baptized Jan. 24, 1874.
- Strupe, William Percy, born Dec. 17, 1873, to Levin Strupe and Sarah m.n. Reich. Baptized Jan. 25, 1874.
- Butner, Arthur Lee, born Oct. 12, 1873, to Francis Butner and Sarah m.n. Wolf. Baptized Apr. 19, 1874.
- Leinback, Gilbert, born May 7, 1874, to Junius I. Leinback and Sarah Reb. m.n. Conrad. Baptized July 5, 1874, at Spanish Grove.
- Shultz, Lucinda Eliza Cordelia, born May 3, 1871, to Edwin Shultz and Julia Ann m.n. Lawrence. Baptized Aug. 5, 1871, at Pleasant Ridge school house. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Hage, Sarah Catharine, born July 15, 1874, to Alex. and Elizabeth Hage (non-members). Baptized Sept. 6, 1874, at Spanish Grove.
- Shouse, Eda May, born Aug. 17, 1874, to John Henry Shouse and Eliza Virginia m.n. Conrad (non-members). Baptized Sept. 20, 1874, at Spanish Grove.
- Conrad, Elbert Royal, born Feb. 24, 1875, to Jacob Carlos Conrad and Jane m.n. Kettner. Baptized Apr. 3, 1875, at Spanish Grove.
- Conrad, Delia Leora Ann, born Feb. 11, 1875, to Alpheus S. Conrad and Sarah Ann m.n. Hire. Baptized June 5, 1875, at Spanish Grove.
- Reich, Cabel Murray, born Apr. 23, 1875, to Rufus D. Reich and Mary Jane m.n. Wald-raven. Baptized June 27, 1875, at the parents' house.
- Butner, Henry Wolfe, born Apr. 6, 1875, to Francis A. Butner and Sarah m.n. Wolfe. Baptized June 27, 1875, in the Bethania church.
- Stauber, Thomas Lash, born Apr. 27, 1874, to Tobias Stauber and Cornelia m.n. Lash. Baptized July 16, 1875, at the house of Thomas Lash.
- Kapp, Emma Almira, born July 15, 1875, to John Henry Kapp and Sarah Elizabeth m.n. Lehman. Baptized Sept. 26, 1875, in the Bethania church.
- Freeland, William Adolphus, born Aug. 20, 1875, to James Ibson Freeland and Malinda Mary Jane m.n. Shouse. Baptized Oct. 10, 1875, in the Bethania church.
- Butner, Florence Isadore, born Jan. 30, 1875, to James C. Butner and Lydia Elizabeth m.n. Brady. Baptized Nov. 9, 1875, at the parents' house.
- Beroth, Victor Monroe, born Oct. 1, 1875, to Alexander W. Beroth and Malvina m.n. Conrad. Baptized Nov. 20, 1875, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Dull, Warren Lee, born Oct. 4, 1875, to Edwin E. Dull and Florence N. m.n. Coltrane. Baptized Dec. 12, 1875, at Spanish Grove.

Stauber, Sarah Elmira, born Oct. 17, 1875, to Samuel B. Stauber and Mary Jane m.n. Dull. Baptized Dec. 26, 1875, at the parents' house.

Leinbach, Isaac Newton, born Mar. 24, 1876, to Junius I. Leinbach and Sarah Rebecca m.n. Conrad. Baptized May 27, 1876, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Macecup, Bertie May, born Mar. 18, 1876, to George F. Macecup and Louisa Cath. m.n. Faircloth. Baptized July 2, 1876, in the Bethania church.

Shore, Walter Alexander, born May 7, 1876, to Alfred Erastus Shore and Sarah m.n. Poindexter. Baptized July 23, 1876, in the Bethania church.

Pfaff, Clara Viola, born July 11, 1876, to Flavious Pfaff and Catharine m.n. Leinbach. Baptized Aug. 26, 1876, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Shultz, Theodore Theophilus, born July 27, 1876, to Edwin Shultz and Juliann m.n. Lawrence. Baptized Aug. 26, 1876, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Shultz, Margaret Luella, born Sept. 25, 1876, to John Henry Shultz and Emma Cath. m.n. Beck. Baptized Oct. 21, 1876, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Adult Baptisms

Walraven, William Oliver. Baptized Sept. 29, 1867.

Scott, Leathe m.n. Eaton, born Oct. 15, 1835, wife of John Scott, living near Mt. Bethel, Virginia. Baptized Oct. 28, 1868.

Bodenheimer, Laura, born Aug. 10, 1860. Baptized June 18, 1876.

Marriages

Transou, Joseph, married Jan. 3, 1867, to Sophia M. Leinbach. [Bethania Diary: Married at her parents' house, Mr. Jonathan Leinbach's.]

Johnson, William H., married Jan. 16, 1867, to Frankie Bowden.

Strupe, Levine J., married Feb. 14, 1867, to Elizabeth Sarah Reich.

Leinbach, Junius I., married Aug. 29, 1867, to Sarah R. Conrad. [Bethania Diary: Married at Jesse Conrad's.]

Masecup, George Francis, born to Emmanuel and Juliana Masecup, married Dec. 22, 1867, to Louisa Catharine Faircloth, born to Jackson Faircloth and Mary m.n. Holder.

Hege, Zacharias George, born to Christian and Anna Maria Hage, married Apr. 21, 1868, to Sarah Amanda Lash, born to Thomas B. and Wilhelmina Lash.

Masecup, Adolphus H., born to Emmanuel and Julianna Masecup, married Dec. 24, 1868, to Leana E. Shouse, born to Henry and Anna Shouse.

Gillim, A. H., born to S. and Susan Gillim, married Dec. 12, 1869, to Antionetta Peddicord, born to Horatia Peddicord.

Leinbach, Edgar Irwin, born to William Leinbach and Sarah m.n. Hauser, married Dec. 30, 1869, to Ann Elizabeth Fogle, born to Henry Fogle and Mary m.n. Spainhour.

Kapp, John Henry, born to Thomas Kapp and Maria Paulina m.n. Miller, married Mar. 3, 1870, to Sarah Elizabeth Lehman, born to Christian Eugene Lehman and Sophia Amanda m.n. Butner.

Leinbach, John Benjamin, born to William Samuel Leinbach and Sarah m.n. Hauser, married Sept. 20, 1870, to Alice Olivia Rights, born to Christian Lewis Rights and Elizabeth Balfour m.n. Hughes.

Clayton, William F., born to John and Elisabeth Clayton, married Jan. 12, 1871, to Susan Sarah Grabs, born to Levine Grabs and Evaline m.n. Flynt.

Riggs, S. F., to born Rial and Susan Riggs, married Dec. 26, 1871, to Salina Waldraven, born to William and Maria Waldraven.

Pfaff, Flavious Nathaniel, born to Phillip Pfaff and Malinda m.n. Stockburger, married Feb. 25, 1872, to Mary Catharine Leinbach, born to Josiah and [blank] Leinbach.

Butner, Francis Augustine, born to Harmon Henry Butner and Johanna Saloma m.n. Strupe, married Nov. 10, 1872, to Sarah M. Wolff, born to William W. and Elisabeth Wolff.

- Transou, Ephraim, born to Phillip and Mary Transou, married Nov. 28, 1872, to Martha E. Reich m.n. Harris, born to Orran and Rebecca Harris.
- Reich, Rufus Dabney, born to John Sandford Reich and Amelia m.n. Stoltz, married Nov. 28, 1872, to Mary Jane Waldraven, born to William Waldraven and Maria m.n. Holder.
- Mock, George F., born to Phillip Mock and Mary m.n. Newsome, married Jan. 16, 1873, to Adeline Shouse, born to David Shouse and Henrietta m.n. Pfaff.
- Stimpson, A. D., born to F. W. and Mary A. Stimpson, married Dec. 2, 1875, to Jelly E. Pfaff, born to Edwin and Sally Pfaff.
- Tise, John W., born to Solomon and Laurretta Tise, married Dec. 7, 1875, to Margaret C. Poindexter, born to Thom. and Jane Poindexter.
- Transou, Rufus E., born to Evan and Elizabeth Transou, married Nov. 3, 1876, to Frances Augusta Grabs, born to Levin S. and Evaline Grabs.

Deaths and Burials

- Lehman, Elizabeth m.n. Shore, born Aug. 20, 1773, near Bethania. Married (1) Mar. 10, 1795, to Frederick Hauser (died 1807). Married (2) Jan. 10, 1808, to John Christian Lehman. Died Aug. 11, 1867.
- Kregor, Elisabeth m.n. Spainhour, born Nov. 20, 1787, in Stokes County. Died Nov. 13, 1867.
- Shouse, Robert Irenius, born Aug. 30, 1867, to John Henry Shouse and Eliza Virginia m.n. Conrad. Died Mar. 11, 1868.
- Shore, Maria Ernestina m.n. Warner, born Sept. 4, 1822, near Bethania. Married July 24, 1844, to Isaac Shore. Died Apr. 25, 1868.
- Lehman, Sophia Amanda m.n. Butner, born June 9, 1817, in Bethania. Married Apr. 30, 1837, to Christian Eugene Lehman. Died Aug. 17, 1868.
- Holder, Mary Elizabeth m.n. Stoltz, born Feb. 2, 1796. Married Aug. 19, 1819, to John Martin Holder. Died Aug. 27, 1868.
- Mock, Beatus (William Alexander), born to Dr. Mock and Paulina m.n. Lehman. Died July 15, 1869.
- Butner, Mary Ann m.n. George, born Oct. 13, 1819, near Bethania. Married to Michael Butner. Died July 22, 1869.
- Karney, Sarah Ann Elizabeth, born May 19, 1851, to Alexander Karney and Anna Caroline m.n. Rothrock. Died Nov. 10, 1869.
- Fulk, Maria m.n. Boose, born Aug. 26, 1791. Married to Daniel Fulk. Died May 17, 1870.
- Fulk, Daniel, born Feb. 27, 1791. Married to Maria m.n. Boose. Died Dec. 5, 1870. [Bethania Diary: He died at his son-in-law's, Mr. Spainhour, living at Brother Tho. Lash's mill.]
- Reich, Naaman Benjamine, born Dec. 25, 1816, near Salem. Married to Martha E. Harris. Died Dec. 6, 1870.
- Strupe, Maria Susannah, born Aug. 27, 1789, in Bethania. Died Jan. 8, 1871.
- Butner, Mary Jane, born Apr. 20, 1870, to James Butner and Lydia m.n. Brady. Died Nov. 6, 1871. [Bethania Diary: The mother had gone to the spring to bring water, leaving the two small children in the house. Its clothes had caught on fire and were entirely burnt off its body. It lived about 2 hours.]
- Stoltz, Sarah m.n. Rothrock, born Feb. 14, 1823, near Friedberg. Married Feb. 8, 1848, to Permanio Stoltz. Died Nov. 23, 1871.
- Grabs, John Gottfried, born June 12, 1792, in Bethania. Married July 28, 1818, to Maria Matilda Shore. Died Apr. 19, 1872. [Bethania Report: He was born here in Bethania, and after he married he kept tavern here for a number of years. He then bought a farm on Crooked Run, 8 miles from here, where he died. He was a good man and respected throughout the country.]
- Shore, Henry Alexander, born Feb. 20, 1850, near Bethania. Died Oct. 9, 1872. He was the counsellor and stay of his sisters and brother, as their parents were dead, and since he was 16 years old he managed the farm and made a good support for the family. His sickness was typhoid fever.

- Holder, Esther m.n. Leinbach, born Oct. 31, 1783, near Bethania. Married to Frederick Holder. Died Oct. 21, 1872. [Bethania Diary: She belonged to the Lutheran Church and was confirmed at Gabber's [Gerber's] meeting house by Pastor G. Shober.]
- Holder, John Martin, born May 7, 1794, near Bethania. Married Aug. 19, 1819, to Mary Elisabeth Stoltz. Died Nov. 30, 1872. [Bethania Report: On account of the horse sickness, his remains had to be carried all the way from his home, about 2 miles.]
- Butner, an infant son of James Butner and Lydia m.n. Brady. Born and died Feb. 1, 1873.
- Pfaff, Christian Benjamin, born Sept. 12, 1812, in Pfafftown. Married (1) to Magdalena Conrad m.n. Phillips (died 1827). Married (2) Jan. 11, 1844, to Minerva M. Flynt. Died June 29, 1873. [Bethania Diary: He died of a new skin disease said to be rare in this country.]
- Butner, Susanna Elizabeth m.n. Hage, born Dec. 23, 1795, in Shoretown. Married July 11, 1820, to Daniel Butner. Died Aug. 10, 1873.
- Transue, Solomon, born Sept. 4, 1794, in Bethania. Married Aug. 17, 1820. Died Oct. 27, 1873.
- Shore, Maria Elizabeth, born Sept. 30, 1790, in Bethania. Married Oct. 3, 1825, to John Jacob Shore. Died Mar. 20, 1874.
- Hauser, Samuel T., born Jan. 1, 1803. Married Oct. 7, 1824, to Mary Hage. Died Nov. 28, 1874. Buried at Crooked Run Meeting House.
- Kapp, Thomas J., born May 12, 1814, near Bethania. Married Apr. 6, 1841, to Maria Paulina Miller. Died Jan. 20, 1875.
- Stoltz, Sarah, born Oct. 10, 1799, near Bethania. Married Sept. 14, 1819, to Simon P. Stoltz. Died Jan. 21, 1875.
- Hauser, Mary Christina m.n. Lash, born May 23, 1797, near Bethania. Married in 1823 to Benjamin Hauser. Died Feb. 18, 1875.
- Krause, Louisa m.n. Holder, born Apr. 13, 1782, near Bethania. Married in Mar. 1802 to George Krause. Died Sept. 12, 1875. Buried at Pfafftown.
- Warner, Maria Charlotte, born May 4, 1814, in Stokes County. Died Dec. 12, 1875.
- Beck, Adalaide Florence, born Jan. 22, 1875, near Pfafftown, to Virgil Isaiah and Louisa J. Beck. Died June 29, 1876.
- Grabs, Amelia Sybilla m.n. Stoltz, born Jan. 3, 1829, in Bethania. Married (1) in 1847 to Sanford Reich (died). Married (2) Oct. 1, 1863, to John William Grabs. Died Oct. 24, 1876.

Baptisms of Non-Members

- Lash, Janetta Florence, born Sept. 13, 1865, to Jerry and Malvina [Bethania Diary: a freedwoman formerly belonging to Amanda Lehman] Lash. Baptized Mar. 5, 1867, [Bethania Report: at the parents' house].
- Stauber, Calvin Lincoln, born Oct. 19, 1866, to George and Casy Stauber. Baptized Oct. 13, 1867, [Bethania Diary: at the Negro church in Bethania].
- Moser, Anna Francisca, born Mar. 8, 1867, to Thomas Henry Moser and Lucia Francisca m.n. Stauber. Baptized May 26, 1867, in the Bethania church. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Church, Robert Richard Flynt, born Apr. 13, 1867, to Richard Church and S.C. m.n. Flynt. Baptized Aug. 26, 1867, at Brookstown.
- Conrad, Cary Melissa, born July 13, 1867, to Carlos Jacob Conrad and Jane Elizabeth m.n. Ketner. Baptized Sept. 22, 1867, at Spanish Grove.
- Holder, Mary Elizabeth, born Sept. 25, 1867, to William Carlos and Nancy Holder. Baptized Feb. 1, 1868, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Lash, Joseph Loftin, born Oct. 18, 1867, to William and [blank] Lash. Baptized May 24, 1868, [Bethania Diary: at the Negro church in Bethania].
- Shore, Victoria Ann, born Aug. 11, 1867, to Edward H. and Christina Shore. Baptized May 29, 1868, at the house of Abraham Stiers.
- Stiers, Julia Louisa, born Jan. 16, 1868, to Abraham and Paulina Jane Stiers. Baptized May 24 [29], 1868, at the house of Abraham Stiers.

Stoltz, Charles Eldrige, born Dec. 6, 1867, to David Stoltz and Augusta m.n. Teague. Baptized July 4, 1868, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Stoltz, Lilian May, born Mar. 1, 1868, to Margaret Jane Stoltz. Baptized Sept. 5, 1868, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Shore, Eugene Benjamine, born May 21, 1868, to Augustus Shore and [blank] m.n. Kiger. Baptized Feb. 26, 1869, in the parents' house.

Holder, Lilian Jane, born Apr. 1, 1869, to Carlos Holder and Nancy m.n. Shelton. Baptized Apr. 21, 1869, [Bethania Diary: at the house of Martin Holder].

Conrad, Lewis Timothy David, born Apr. 3, 1869, to Alpheus S. Conrad and Sarah m.n. Hine. Baptized Apr. 24, 1869, [Bethania Diary: at Spanish Grove].

Shultz, Mary Ann Leathe, born June 23, 1869, to Edwin and Julia Ann Shultz. Baptized Sept. 4, 1869, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Marshall, Luther Isaac, born June 17, 1869, to Peter Marshall and Julia m.n. Schultz. Baptized Sept. 4, 1869, at Pleasant Ridge school house.

Shore, Paulina Mahala, born June 4, 1869, to Edwin Shore and Christina m.n. Kiger. Baptized Sept. 29, 1869, in the Bethania parsonage.

Spainhour, William Alexander, born Dec. 23, 1868, to William Spainhour and Pamela m.n. Grabs. Baptized Nov. 7, 1869, at Crooked Run meeting house.

Conrad, Rosina Ellen, born Sept. 23, 1869, to Carlos Conrad and Jane Elisabeth m.n. Ketner. Baptized Nov. 27, 1869, at Spanish Grove.

[Henceforth non-member baptisms were incorporated among baptisms of members.]

Bethania Diary Entries, 1867-1876

[Church Register material that was recorded only in the Bethania Diary. The following is the entirety of the material.]

Baptisms

A child baptized Dec. 13, 1868, in a meeting for the colored people.

A colored woman living at Thomas Kapp's mill. Baptized Dec. 3, 1870. She is expected to die.

Butner, a child of James Butner. Baptized Dec. 25, 1870, in the parsonage.

Conrad, Eugene Armenius, infant son of Alpheus and Sarah A. Conrad. Baptized Aug. 19, 1871, at Spanish Grove.

Hege, George Earnest, son of Zacharia George Hege and Sarah m.n. Lash. Baptized Sept. 29, 1872, at brother Thomas Lash's house.

Deaths and Burials

Kapp, a single woman. Funeral preached Feb. 18, 1867, at the house of her brother, William Kapp.

Shore, John. Buried Feb. 28, 1867, in Yadkin County.

Flynt, Sandy. Buried Mar. 31, 1867, at home. The brass band from Bethania was present and performed on the occasion.

Colored child. Buried Apr. 20, 1867, at Samuel Stauber's.

Blum, Alexander Crist. Funeral preached July 6, 1867, at Salem. Burial in Salem Cemetery.

Negro child. Buried July 18, 1867.

Child of Joseph Hine. Funeral preached Aug. 28, 1867, at Maple Springs.

Stauber, Amanda Louise. Died July 13, 1867. Funeral preached Oct. 13, 1867, at the Bethania negro church.

Stauber, George Franklin, infant son of Amanda Louise Stauber. Died Aug. 26, 1867. Funeral preached Oct. 13, 1867, at the Bethania negro church.

Shore, Jacob Sandford. Died Apr. 18, 1865, at Elmira, N.Y. Funeral preached Oct. 20, 1867, at Bethabara.

- Butner, Lewis, a colored man formerly belonging to Harmon Butner. Died Nov. 3, 1867, of consumption. Funeral preached Nov. 5, 1867.
- Flynt, William. Died Nov. 29, 1867. Funeral preached Nov. 30, 1867, at his house. [Bethania Report: The Masons performed the funeral services.]
- Stauber, Tom, a black man who lived near Pfafftown. Died Feb. 12, 1868. Buried Feb. 13, 1868.
- Shouse, Susan, daughter of Joseph Shouse, a colored man, and Judy, formerly belonged to Sr. Elisabeth Rights in Salem. Died Mar. 9, 1868. Buried Mar. 10, 1868.
- Spainhour, Solomon. Died Mar. 16, 1868. Funeral scheduled for Mar. 17, 1868, at his son's home on the Little Yadkin River.
- Lash, Matilda, a married colored woman who was born and raised in the family of the late brother Christian Grabs. Buried May 19, 1868.
- Reich, Alexander C., son of Samuel Reich. Funeral scheduled for Nov. 7, 1868, at Love's meeting house, but preached Nov. 15, 1868, at Bethabara.
- Flynt, George, Jr. Died Nov. 22, 1868. Funeral preached Nov. 24, 1868, at Beck's meeting house.
- Flint, Sarah Elisabeth, daughter of William Flint, deceased, and Antoinet m.n. Butner. She died of typhoid fever. Funeral preached Dec. 27, 1868, at the house and the remains buried at Beck's graveyard.
- Shouse, daughter of Wiley Shouse. Buried May 8, 1869, at Old Town [Bethabara].
- Reed, N. P., a Methodist elder. Funeral preached Sept. 23, 1869, at "Doup's Chapel."
- Hauser, Mary Magdalene, wife of Michael Hauser. Died. Nov. 30, 1869. Funeral preached Dec. 1, 1869, at Mt. Tabor.
- Bitting, Lemuel, a colored man living on Constantine Stolz's land. Died Dec. 7, 1869. Buried Dec. 8, 1869.
- Barnacastle, Anna Benigna, age was 64 years, 27 days. Buried Jan. 27, 1870, at Waughtown.
- Holder, John Timothy. Died Feb. 18, 1870. Funeral preached Mar. 27, 1870, at Doub's Chapel.
- Reich, Maria m.n. Sides. She died in Texas. Funeral preached Feb. 27, 1870, at Friedberg. [Friedberg Diary: wife of Robert Reich.]
- Conrad, child of Carlos Conrad. Funeral preached June 28, 1870, at Pfafftown.
- Butner, Henry, a colored man formerly belonging to brother Daniel Butner. Buried July 5, 1870.
- Norman, James. Funeral preached Oct. 23, 1870, at Sharon.
- Doup, Thomas. Funeral preached Oct. 30, 1870, at Bethania colored church.
- Color, Allen. Died Mar. 23, 1871. Buried Mar. 25, 1871, at Mt. Tabor.
- Foltz, Margaret. Funeral scheduled June 1871, preached Oct. 22, 1871, at Pfafftown.
- Dawson, Mrs. Buried Nov. 17, 1871.
- Sides, John Francis, age 80 years, 2 months and 9 days. He was born in Bethania. Funeral preached Dec. 19, 1871, at Antioch Methodist Church.
- Barrow, Phillip. Buried Dec. 20, 1871, at his late residence.
- Sides, a child of Winston Sides. Buried Mar. 12, 1872, at Antioch Methodist Church.
- Dawson, Mr. Died Apr. 8, 1872.
- Kapp, Isaac, a colored man. Buried May 23, 1872, in the colored graveyard.
- Eccles, Frank, only son of Harrison Eccles. Buried May 28, 1872, at Hope.
- Kirkus, formerly belonged to Thos. Lash. He was shot to death Feb. 8, 1873. Death noted Feb. 9, 1873.
- Perril, Emmanuel. Died Feb. 9, 1873. Buried Feb. 11, 1873. [Bethania Report: near Germantown. His parents were members of Friedberg.]
- Masten, Mattheus, sheriff of Forsyth County. Died Feb. 26, 1873. Buried Feb. 28, 1873.
- Hauser, Michael. Buried May 6, 1873, at Mt. Tabor. He was born in Bethania, his age 70 years, 9 mos. and 9 days.
- Craft, Jane, m.n. Kimmel. Died Dec. 12, 1872. Funeral preached May 25, 1873, at Sharon meeting house about 9 miles from Bethania. [Bethania Report: She was a granddaughter of Andrew Kimmel, and both her parents dying when she was a child, her

grandparents raised her, and they were near neighbors of ours (the Lewis Rightses) at Friedberg, and she went to Sunday School there till she was grown.]
 Shouse, Henry, Jr. Funeral preached Aug. 10, 1873, at Long's School house.
 Hartman, a child of Alexander Hartman. Buried Sept. 24, 1873, at Mt. Tabor.
 Grabs, Jacob, a Black man who fell over dead on the field on Aug. 12, 1874. Funeral conducted according to Moravian usage. Buried Aug. 14, 1874, in the African graveyard.
 Day, Henry, a coloured man. Buried Jan. 21, 1875, in the African graveyard.
 Stauber, Stephen, a coloured man. Buried Feb. 2, 1875, in the African graveyard.
 Regina, a coloured woman. Buried Mar. 5, 1875, in the African graveyard.
 A coloured man. Buried Apr. 28, 1875, in the African graveyard.
 Doub, Daniel. Died Apr. 27, 1875. Funeral preached Apr. 30, 1875, at Doub's Chapel.
 Lash, Nancy. Buried Feb. 3, 1876, in the African graveyard.
 Doub, Rev. Michael. Funeral preached May 10, 1876, at Doub's Chapel.

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Infant Baptisms

Hine, Luther Gilbert, born Apr. 16, 1867, to Theodore T. Hine and Mary M. m.n. Shouse. Baptized [Diary: May 19,] 1867, in the Bethabara church. [Duplicated below.]
 Billiter, Marsellus Lewis, born Dec. 30, 1867, to Phillip Billiter and Elizabeth m.n. Null. Baptized Apr. 12, 1868, in the Bethabara church.
 Billiter, William Nathaniel, born Dec. 4, 1869, to Phillip Billiter and Sarah Elizabeth m.n. Null. Baptized Jan. 23, 1870.
 Shore, Henry Franklin, born Feb. 9, 1870, to John [Joseph] Alexander Shore and Ellen Rebecca m.n. Transou. Baptized Mar. 20, 1870, in the Bethabara church.
 Lineback, John Samuel, born June 29, 1871, to Edgar Irwin Lineback and Anna Elizabeth m.n. Fockle. Baptized Sept. 16, 1871, at the parents' house.
 Butner, Jonas Phillip, born Dec. 16, 1871, to Joseph Butner and Malvina m.n. Leinbach. Baptized Jan. 7, 1872.
 Hine, Ida Arstella, born Dec. 30, 1871, to Theodore Theophilus Hine and Mary Magdalene m.n. Shouse. Baptized Feb. 4, 1872, at the parents' house.
 Shore, Charles Luther, born Mar. 27, 1872, to John [Joseph] Alexander Shore and Ellen Rebecca m.n. Transou. Baptized May 19, 1872, in the Bethabara church.
 Rank, William Lewis, born Apr. 8, 1872, to Benjamin Rank and Elisabeth m.n. Pratt. Baptized May 19, 1872, in the Bethabara church.
 Kiser, Lilly May, born Feb. 14, 1872, to Bynum Rufus Kiser and Selina Francesca m.n. Spach. Baptized Apr. 30 [Bethania Diary: July 6], 1872, at the school house.
 Leinbach, William Henry, born Apr. 29, 1873, to Edgar Irwin Leinbach and Anna Elizabeth m.n. Fockle. Baptized Aug. 16, 1873, in the Bethabara church.
 Shore, Mary Earalina, born Feb. 2, 1874, to Joseph Alexander Shore and Ellen R. m.n. Transue. Baptized Apr. 5, 1874, in the Bethabara church.
 Rank, Carry Janetta, born Jan. 10, 1875, to John Benjamin Rank and Elizabeth m.n. Pratt. Baptized July 25, 1875, at the house of William Pratt.
 Null, Fannie May, born July 4, 1873, to Henry Null and Sybilla m.n. Rank. Baptized Oct. 12, 1873. [Recorded out of sequence.]
 Null, Charles Irvin, born Mar. 20, 1876, to Henry Null and Sybilla m.n. Rank. Baptized May 7, 1876, in the Bethabara church.
 Leinbach, Henry Kotz, born May 19, 1876, to J. B. Leinbach and Alice O. m.n. Rights. Baptized Aug. 13, 1876.
 Shore, Thomas Alexander, born Aug. 8, 1876, to Alexander Shore and Ellen m.n. Transou. Baptized Oct. 22, 1876, in the Bethabara church.

Baptisms of Non-Members

- Hine, Luther Gilbert, born Apr. 16, 1867, to Theodore Theophilus Hine and Mary Magdalene m.n. Shouse. Baptized May 19, 1867, in the Bethabara church. [Duplicated above.]
- Bowser, Jerome Edwin, born Oct. 2, 1867, to Andrew Bowser and Adeline m.n. Miller. Baptized May 3, 1868.
- Reed, Henry Francis, born Apr. 9, 1867, to James Reed and Paulina m.n. Shore. Baptized [blank].
- Miller, William Edwin, born Sept. 25, 1868, to Virginius Perlemon Miller and Samantha Ann m.n. Montigue. Baptized Dec. 25, 1868, in the Bethabara church.
- Rank, Henry Robert, born Oct. 8, 1869, to Benjamine Rank and Elizabeth m.n. Pratt. Baptized Nov. 20, 1869, in the Bethabara church.
- Hill, Rowland Pinckston, born Apr. 18, 1869, to Leander Hill and Christina m.n. Spach. Baptized [Bethania Diary: Dec. 18], 1869, at the Fries Quarter.
- Reich, Eliza Elvira, born Jan. 25, 1869, to Timothy Reich and Ann m.n. Taylor. Baptized Aug. 24, 1870, [Bethania Diary: at the house of the grandmother, Mary Reich].
- Reich, Wiley Sylvester, born Nov. 24, 1869, to Ephraim Reich and Abigail m.n. Libengood. Baptized Aug. 24, 1870, [Bethania Diary: at the house of the grandmother, Mary Reich].
- Reed, Martha Octavia, born Apr. 2, 1869, to James Reed and Paulina m.n. Shore. Baptized Dec. 4, 1870, at the house of John Shore.
- Cuiler, David Marcellus, born Mar. 9, 1872, to James Wesley Culler and Catharine Louisa m.n. Holder. Baptized June 1, 1872, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Fulk, John William, born June 7, 1871, to Frank Fulk and Mary Catharine m.n. Libengood. Baptized Aug. 20, 1871, at Maple Springs church. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Kiser, Lilly May, born Feb. 14, 1872, to Bynum Rufus Kiser and Salina Francisca m.n. Spach. Baptized July 6, 1872, at Pleasant Ridge school house.
- Macecup, Martha St. Clara, born Feb. 20, 1873, to John Macecup and Atoinet m.n. Pratt. Baptized Apr. 2, 1873, at the house of William Pratt.

Adult Baptisms

- Billiter, Sarah Elizabeth m.n. Null, baptized Nov. 16, 1867.
- Null, William Henry, baptized Nov. 16, 1867.
- Ridings, Matilda Augusta, baptized Nov. 16, 1867.

Marriages

- Leinbach, Edgar I., born to William Leinback and Sarah m.n. Hauser, married Dec. 29, 1869, to Anna Elizabeth Fogle, born to Henry Fogle and Mary m.n. Spainhour.
- Null, Henry, born to Isaac Null and Paulina m.n. McAnally, married Sept. 12, 1872, to Sybilla Rank, born to John Rank.

Deaths and Burials

- Hine, Octavia M., born to Levene Hine. Died Apr. 22, 1867.
- Hine, Luther Gilbert, born Apr. 16, 1867, to Theodore Theophilus Hine and Mary Magdalene m.n. Shouse. Died May 25, 1869.
- Shouse, Sarah Ann Elisabeth, born Dec. 19, 1841. Died Dec. 10, 1869.
- Ledford, Mary Eliza m.n. Pratt, born Mar. 3, 1833. Married in 1854 to Andrew Ledford. Died June 14, 1870. Her husband died in 1862 at Richmond, and for the last three years before her death she lived in Salem. She was a good woman, and enjoyed the confidence of all that knew her, and died in great peace.
- Fogle, John Henry, born Oct. 30, 1808, in Bethabara. Married to Mary Spainhour. Died Oct. 7, 1870.

- Butner, Susanna Adelaide, m.n. Stoltz, born Apr. 16, 1833, near Bethabara. Married in Oct. 1853 to Elias J. Butner. Died Feb. 5, 1872. [Salem Diary: She left several small children. Her husband had been killed during the war at Fredericksburg.]
- Hauser, Christian, born Sept. 14, 1803. Married Mar. 21, 1826, to Anna Johanna Spach. Died Mar. 1, 1872.
- Reich, Mary Elisabeth m.n. Hauser, born Jan. 10, 1800. Died Sept. 9, 1872.
- Butner, Joseph, born Dec. 7, 1804, in Bethabara. Married (1) Catharine Leinbach [died 1843]. Married (2) Louisa Walk [died 1865]. Married (3) Malvina Leinbach. Died Sept. 12, 1872.
- Billiter, Marcellus Lewis, born Dec. 30, 1867, in Bethabara, to Phillip Billiter and Sarah Elisabeth m.n. Null. Died Jan. 26, 1873.
- Macecup, Martha St. Clara, born Feb. 20, 1873, to John Macecup and Antoinet m.n. Pratt. Died June 5, 1873.
- Shouse, Col. Henry, born Oct. 24, 1796, in Stokes (now Forsyth) County. Died July 12, 1873.
- Ledford, Sarah A., born to Andrew and Mary Eliza Ledford. Died Oct. 27, 1873.
- Hauser, Anna Johanna m.n. Spach, born July 31, 1806, at Friedberg. Married to Christian Thomas Hauser. Died Jan. 16, 1874.
- Billeter, Philip, born Feb. 1, 1843, in Forsyth County. Married Dec. 18, 1866, to Sarah Elizabeth Null. Died Feb. 25, 1874.
- Shore, Anna Catharine m.n. Hauser, born Jan. 13, 1820, at Friedberg. Married May 1, 1838, to John Henry Shore. Died Apr. 29, 1874.
- Shamel, Elizabeth m.n. Fidler, born Jan. 12, 1792, at Friedland. Married May 3, 1814, to Abraham Shamel. Died June 28, 1874.
- Krause, Thomas William, born Nov. 30, 1817, at Bethabara. Died Oct. 12, 1874.
- Shore, Mary Catharine, born Feb. 12, 1854, near Bethabara. Died Aug. 2, 1875. [Bethania Diary: She was the daughter of John H. Shore. She died in Sumter, S.C., and her remains were brought here for burial.]
- Macecup, Imogen Miriena, born Feb. 21, 1875, to John Macecup and Antonetta m.n. Pratt. Died June 30, 1875. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Shamel, Abraham. Married to Elizabeth Fidler. Died Jan. 30, 1876.
- Pratt, John William, born Aug. 13, 1875, to Francis Pratt and Sallie m.n. Axom. Died June 15, 1876.
- Spears, Henry Luther, born June 17, 1875, near Bethabara, to Thomas Spears and Martha m.n. Norman. Died June 30, 1876.
- Rank, Salome Margaret, m.n. Miller, born Mar. 5, 1825, at Friedland. Married to Permenio Rank. Died July 9, 1876.
- Shore, Joseph Alexander, born Aug. 27, 1841, near Bethabara. Died Aug. 9, 1876.

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Infant Baptisms

- Wesner, David Jesse, born Sept. 19, 1866, to Ephraim Wesner and Matilda m.n. Mock. Baptized Feb. 17, 1867.
- Sink, Harrison Eugene, born Dec. 22, 1865, to Mary Sink and Harrison Craver(?). Baptized Feb. 15 [Friedberg Diary: Feb. 14], 1867, at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Wesner.
- Padget, Ulysses Thomas Grant, born Nov. 1, 1866, to Levi Padget and Mary m.n. Burk. Baptized Mar. 24, 1867.
- Spach, Abraham Franklin, born Dec. 12, 1866, to James L. Spach and Jane m.n. Faw. Baptized Apr. 14, 1867.
- Seides, Martin, born Jan. 16, 1867, to Eli Seides and Jane m.n. Longworth. Baptized May 11, 1867.

- Mock, Louis Alexander, born Dec. 15, 1866, to Alexander Mock and Louisa m.n. Rominger. Baptized May 12, 1867.
- Leinbach, Catharine Elizabeth, born Apr. 17, 1867, to Robert Parmenio Leinbach and Sarah Ann m.n. Blum. Baptized May 13, 1867, at the house of the grandparents.
- Fishel, Isaac Parmenio, born Dec. 18, 1866, to Michael Fishel and Mary Catharine m.n. Rothrock. Baptized May 19, 1867.
- Hardman, Paulina Elizabeth, born May 17, 1867, to Jesse Hardman and Anne m.n. Spach. Baptized June 5, 1867.
- Hill, Larkin Thomas, born May 10, 1867, to Valentine Hill and Delilah m.n. Weaver. Baptized June 30, 1867.
- Miller, Samuel Alexander, born Feb. 17, 1867, to Daniel Miller, and Jane m.n. Burk. Baptized July 14, 1867.
- Swim, Rachel Augusta, born July 17, 1865, to Hamilton Swim and [blank] m.n. Crouch. Baptized July 5, 1867. The child, being at the point of death, was baptized at the house of the parents, none of whom were church members. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Crouse, Alice Zilpha, born Aug. 20, 1867, to Harrison Crouse and Esther m.n. Faw. Baptized Oct. 13, 1867.
- Tesh, Rufus Alexander, born Mar. 9, 1867, to Emanuel Tesh and Charity m.n. Rothrock. Baptized Nov. 17, 1867.
- Knause, Cornelia Ann Maria, born Sept. 6, 1867, to Jesse Knause and Susan m.n. Tesh. Baptized Nov. 17, 1867.
- Weasner, Amanda Sophia, born Oct. 21, 1867, to William Weasner and Susan m.n. Fishel. Baptized Dec. 8, 1867.
- Rominger, Ellen Rebecca, born Aug. 16, 1867, to Anderson Rominger and Antionette m.n. Shutt. Baptized Dec. 22, 1867.
- Johnson, Maria, born Aug. 27, 1867, to William Johnson and Saloma m.n. Seides. Baptized Dec. 22, 1867.
- Disher, Maria Josephine, born Jan. 12, 1868, to Henry Disher and Mary m.n. Weaver. Baptized Mar. 8, 1868.
- Floyd, Christian Joshua, born Oct. 27, 1867, to John Floyd and Susan m.n. Fishel. Baptized Feb. 23, 1868. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Spach, Charles Andrew, born Feb. 27, 1868, to James Spach and Jane m.n. Faw. Baptized Apr. 19, 1868.
- Spach, Mary Rebecca, born Feb. 14, 1868, to Obadiah Spach and Susan m.n. Spach. Baptized Apr. 26, 1868.
- Spach, Anna Maria, born Mar. 10, 1868, to Traugott Spach and Anne m.n. Hanes. Baptized Apr. 26, 1868.
- Fishel, Alice Augusta, born Mar. 13, 1868, to Timothy Fishel and Anne Margaret m.n. Rothrock. Baptized May 9, 1868.
- Spach, Eliza Jane, born Feb. 20, 1868, to Aaron Spach and Mary C. m.n. Seides. Baptized May 9, 1868.
- Shore, Edwin Parmenio, born Feb. 26, 1868, to Naaman Shore and Louisa m.n. Shutt. Baptized Apr. 29, 1868.
- Crouch, Charles David, born May 19, 1868, to John Crouch and Catharine m.n. Woosely. Baptized June 14, 1868.
- Hyer, Addie Merilla, born May 3, 1868, to Enoch Hyer and Mary m.n. Thornton. Baptized June 21, 1868.
- Leinbach, Robert Blum, born May 28, 1868, to Robert Parmenio Leinbach and Sarah Ann m.n. Blum. Baptized July 26, 1868.
- Spach, Andrew Jackson, born July 25, 1868, to Gottlieb Spach and Susannah m.n. Kreutzfueser. Baptized Sept. 13, 1868.
- Miller, Mary Letitia, born July 31, 1868, to Joseph Miller and Rosanna m.n. Delap. Baptized Sept. 13, 1868.
- Stoner, John Jacob, born July 14, 1868, to Amos Stoner and Harriet m.n. Chitty. Baptized Nov. 22, 1868.
- Mendenhall, Matilda Loretta, born Aug. 7, 1868, to Lemuel Mendenhall and Lucinda m.n. Rothrock. Baptized Nov. 29, 1868.

- Spach, Caroline Maria, born Sept. 16, 1868, to Franklin Spach and Mary Pamela m.n. Shore. Baptized Dec. 13, 1868.
- Hill, Sarah Christina, born Nov. 21, 1868, to Valentine Hill and Delilah m.n. Weaver. Baptized Jan. 24, 1869.
- Disher, Laura Jane, born Dec. 23, 1868, to Thomas Disher and Paulina m.n. Weaver. Baptized Jan 24, 1869.
- Reich, Mary Catharine, born Nov. 25, 1868, to William Reich and Ellen m.n. Sink. Baptized Mar. 21, 1869.
- Woosely, Emanuel Augustus, born Jan. 24, 1869, to Samuel and Jane Woosely. Baptized Apr. 18, 1869.
- Seides, Augustus, born Mar. 27, 1869, to Eli Seides and Jane m.n. Longworth. Baptized May 12, 1869.
- Mock, Clarence Jacob, born Mar. 18, 1869, to Alexander Mock and Louisa m.n. Rominger. Baptized June 13, 1869.
- Padget, Nathan Augustus, born Apr. 20, 1869, to Levi and Mary Padget. Baptized June 27, 1869.
- Spach, Martha Elizabeth, born May 7, 1869, to James Spach and Belinda Jane m.n. Faw. Baptized July 11, 1869.
- Harmon, John Henry, born Sept. 18, 1867, to John Harmon and Charity m.n. Stewart. Baptized Sept. 6, 1869.
- Crouch, Samuel Augustus, born Aug. 30, 1869, to John Crouch and Catharine m.n. Woosely. Baptized Sept. 27, 1869, at the parents' house.
- Hardman, George Emanuel, born Sept. 30, 1869, to Jesse and Anne Hardman. Baptized Nov. 21, 1869.
- Rothrock, John Henry, born Sept. 10, 1869, to Charles and Lydia Rothrock. Baptized Nov. 28, 1869.
- Hyer, Luzene Elizabeth, born Sept. 24, 1869, to Enoch and Mary Hyer. Baptized Nov. 28, 1869.
- Crouse, Julia Selena, born Oct. 25, 1869, to Harrison Crouse and Caroline m.n. Faw. Baptized Dec. 19, 1869.
- Spach, Ella Hanes, born Nov. 14, 1869, to Traugott Spach and Anne m.n. Hanes. Baptized Jan. 16, 1870.
- Leinbach, Emma Sophia, born Nov. 26, 1869, to Robert P. Leinbach and Sarah Ann m.n. Blum. Baptized Jan. 16, 1870.
- Spach, Enoch Franklin, born Oct. 18, 1869, to Obadiah Spach and Susan m.n. Spach. Baptized Jan. 16, 1870, at the parents' house.
- Chitty, Irwin Parmenio, born Oct. 31, 1869, to Henry Chitty and Susan m.n. Weasner. Baptized Jan. 23, 1870.
- Sink, Paulina Louisa, born Jan. 16, 1870, to David and Paulina Louisa Sink. Baptized Jan. 27, 1870, at the parents' house a few days after the mother's death.
- Knauss, Amanda Ella, born Dec. 9, 1869, to Joseph Knauss and Mary m.n. Fry. Baptized Feb. 12, 1870.
- Miller, Christian John Henry, born Jan. 22, 1870, to Daniel Miller and Jane m.n. Burk. Baptized Feb. 13, 1870, at Friedberg.
- Fishel, Emma Sophia, born Jan. 24, 1870, to Timothy Fishel and Margaret m.n. Rothrock. Baptized Apr. 15, 1870.
- Knauss, Laura Catharine, born Feb. 1, 1870, to Jonas Knauss and Paulina m.n. Mock. Baptized Apr. 15, 1870.
- Spach, Addie Lucinda, born Dec. 25, 1869, to Franklin Spach and Mary m.n. Shore. Baptized Apr. 24, 1870.
- Spach, Caroline Estelle, born Mar. 29, 1870, to Theophilus and Maria Spach. Baptized Apr. 8, 1870. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Stoner, Albert Elias, born Mar. 3, 1870, to Amos Stoner and Harriet m.n. Chitty. Baptized May 22, 1870.
- Woosely, Franklin Alexander, born June 23, 1870, to Samuel Woosely and Jane m.n. Miller. Baptized July 7, 1870, at the parents' house.

- Miller, Lilly Glendora, born Aug. 4, 1870, to Martin Miller and Malvina m.n. Rothrock. Baptized Oct. 16, 1870.
- Crouch, Mary Dulcena, born Sept. 14, 1870, to John Crouch and Catharine m.n. Woosely. Baptized Oct. 16, 1870.
- Disher, Larkin Meredith, born July 24, 1870, to Thomas Disher and Paulina m.n. Weaver. Baptized Oct. 16, 1870.
- Hill, Robert Parmenio, born Aug. 17, 1870, to Valentine Hill and Delila m.n. Weaver. Baptized Oct. 16, 1870.
- Tesh, William Franklin, born Mar. 27, 1870, to Emanuel Tesh and Charity m.n. Rothrock. Baptized Nov. 20, 1870.
- Hege, Ida Malvina, born Feb. 11, 1870, to Philip Hege and Belinda m.n. Fishel. Baptized Mar. 30, 1871, at the parents' house.
- Spach, Albert Augustus, born Feb. 26, 1871, to James Spach and Jane m.n. Faw. Baptized June 25, 1871.
- Hege, Mary Elizabeth, born June 26, 1871, to Philip Hege and Belinda m.n. Fishel. Baptized Oct. 15, 1871.
- Fishel, Reuben Sandford, born Sept. 17, 1866, to Sandford Fishel and Louisa m.n. Hoffman. Baptized Nov. 1, 1871, at the parents' house.
- Fishel, Columbus Jacob, born Dec. 11, 1867, to Sandford Fishel and Louisa m.n. Hoffman. Baptized Nov. 1, 1871, at the parents' house.
- Fishel, Sina Louisa, born Jan. 4, 1870, to Sandford Fishel and Louisa m.n. Hoffman. Baptized Nov. 1, 1871, at the parents' house.
- Rothrock, Samuel Joseph, born Aug. 10, 1871, to Chas. and Lydia Rothrock. Baptized Nov. 12, 1871.
- Hardman, Daniel Webster, born Sept. 26, 1871, to Jesse Hardman and Anne m.n. Spach. Baptized Nov. 12, 1871.
- Houk, Moses Franklin Evans, born Oct. 11, 1871, to John Houk and Sarah m.n. Crouch. Baptized Dec. 25, 1871.
- Woosely, David Joseph, born Oct. 25, 1871, to Samuel Woosely and Jane m.n. Miller. Baptized Jan. 14, 1872.
- Bruer, Mary Lilly, born Nov. 20, 1871, to Joseph Bruer and Lizetta m.n. Conrad. Baptized Jan. 14, 1872.
- Floyd, James, born Sept. 25, 1871, to John Floyd and Susan m.n. Fishel. Baptized Jan. 14, 1872.
- Miller, Ida Jane, born June 17, 1871, to Falze Alexander Miller and Sarah m.n. Transu. Baptized Jan. 14, 1872.
- Essig, David Casper, born Oct. 7, 1860, to Theophilus Essig and Anne m.n. Swim. Baptized Mar. 25, 1872, at the parents' house.
- Essig, Jacob Franklin, born Mar. 31, 1867, to Theophilus Essig and Anne m.n. Swim. Baptized Mar. 25, 1872, at the parents' house.
- Essig, Christina Elizabeth, born Apr. 12, 1868, to Theophilus Essig and Anne m.n. Swim. Baptized Mar. 25, 1872, at the parents' house.
- Essig, John Theophilus, born Dec. 6, 1869, to Theophilus Essig and Anne Lucinda m.n. Swim. Baptized Mar. 25, 1872, at the parents' house.
- Fishel, David Franklin, born Jan. 10, 1872, to John A. Fishel and Emma m.n. Leonard. Baptized Mar. 29, 1872.
- Fishel, Rufus Augustus, born Sept. 21, 1870, to Jesse Fishel and Caroline m.n. Tesh. Baptized Nov. 26, 1870, at the parents' house. [Recorded out of sequence.]
- Walk, Cora Eleonora, born Mar. 25, 1872, to Joseph and Emeline Walk. Baptized Apr. 2, 1872.
- Spauch, Minnie May, born Dec. 28, 1871, to Emanuel and Adelaide Spauch. Baptized Apr. 28, 1872.
- Mock, William Jackson, born Dec. 31, 1871, to Alexander and Louisa Mock. Baptized Apr. 28, 1872.
- Chitty, Ellen Leanora, born Apr. 15, 1872, to Henry B. and Susan Chitty. Baptized June 16, 1872.

- Spaugh, Mary Catharine, born June 15, 1872, to Theophilus and Maria Spaugh. Baptized July 21, 1872.
- Wesner, Sarah Mary Matilda, born June 28, 1872, to Ephraim and Matilda Wesner. Baptized Aug. 17, 1872.
- Miller, Mary Rebecca Florence, born June 25, 1872, to Daniel and Mary Jane Miller. Baptized Aug. 18, 1872.
- Spaugh, Adda Jane, born June 14, 1872, to Obediah and Susan Spaugh. Baptized Sept. 22, 1872.
- Knauss, George Romulus, born July 16, 1872, to Joseph and Mary Ann Knauss. Baptized Sept. 22, 1872.
- Crouch, Emma Catharine, born Aug. 28, 1872, to John C. and Catharine Crouch. Baptized Oct. 12, 1872.
- Knauss, Nancy Clara, born June 5, 1872, to Jonas and Paulina Knauss. Baptized Oct. 13, 1872.
- Spaugh, John Henry, born June 27, 1872, to James and Balinda Jane Spaugh. Baptized Oct. 27, 1872.
- Crouse, Emma Caroline, born to Aug. 20, 1872, to Harrison and Esther C. Crouse. Baptized Nov. 10, 1872.
- Johnson, James Lewis, born Nov. 20, 1872, to Wm. Caustin and Sallie Saloma Johnson. Baptized Feb. 23, 1873.
- Sides, Leanora, born Aug. 8, 1872, to Eli and Jane Sides. Baptized Apr. 10, 1873.
- Padget, Robert Alexander, born Apr. 20, 1873, to Levi and Mary Padget. Baptized June 22, 1873.
- Spaugh, Caroline Celena, born May 24, 1873, to Timothy and Sarah Spaugh. Baptized Sept. 17, 1873.
- Woosely, John Evander, born Sept. 30, 1873, to Samuel Woosely and Jane m.n. Miller. Baptized Oct. 12, 1873, at the parents' house.
- Hardman, Anna Catharine, born Oct. 15, 1873, to Jesse Hardman and Anna Elizabeth m.n. Spach. Baptized Dec. 13, 1873, at Friedberg.
- Hill, Columbus Augustus, born Oct. 23, 1873, to Valentine Hill and Delila Rebecca m.n. Weaver. Baptized Jan. 11, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Knaus, George Franklin, born Dec. 12, 1873, to Jonas Knaus and Paulina m.n. Mock. Baptized Apr. 26, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Spaugh, Clarrington Douthit, born Nov. 26, 1873, to Emanuel Spaugh and Victoria m.n. Douthit. Baptized May 3, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Fishel, John Thomas, born Mar. 10, 1874, to Zach. Fishel and Sarah m.n. Knaus. Baptized May 9, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Spaugh, Levi Andrew, born May 22, 1874, to Obadiah Spaugh and Susan m.n. Spach. Baptized July 19, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Mendenhall, Louis Franklin, born May 14, 1874, to Lemuel Mendenhall and Lucinda m.n. Rothrock. Baptized July 19, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Crouch, James Parmenio, born July 1, 1874, to John Crouch and Catharine m.n. Woosely. Baptized Aug. 2, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Spaugh, William Edward, born Mar. 11, 1874, to Franklin Spaugh and Mary Pamelia m.n. Shore. Baptized Aug. 23, 1874, at Pleasant Fork.
- Spaugh, Ada Olivia, born Oct. 4, 1874, to Theophilus Spaugh and Anna Maria m.n. Beckel. Baptized Nov. 15, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Sides, Abigail, born Aug. 13, 1874, to Eli Sides and Jane m.n. Longworth. Baptized Nov. 15, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Essic, Charles Solomon, born Oct. 8, 1874, to Theophilus Essic and Cynthia Dulcena m.n. Crouch. Baptized Nov. 29, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Walk, Nancy Josephine, born Sept. 5, 1874, to Joseph Walk and Emeline widow Spaugh m.n. Kimmel. Baptized Dec. 13, 1874, at Friedberg.
- Tesh, Samuel Parmenio, born Jan. 13, 1872, to David Tesh and Rosa m.n. Zimmerman. Baptized Dec. 25, 1874.
- Tesh, David Eugene, born Oct. 22, 1874, to David Tesh and Johanna S. Zimmerman. Baptized Dec. 25, 1874.

- Shore, William Jesse, born Oct. 11, 1874, to John Shore and Mary m.n. Mock. Baptized Jan. 17, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Crouse, William Abraham, born Nov. 21, 1874, to Harrison Crouse and Caroline m.n. Faw. Baptized Feb. 13, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Wooseley, William Eugene, born Dec. 27, 1874, to Samuel A. Wooseley and Jane m.n. Miller. Baptized Mar. 14, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Tesh, Nellie Lenora Isabel, born Jan. 16, 1875, to Julius Tesh and Sarah m.n. Craver. Baptized Mar. 26, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Houk, Mary Alberta, born Sept. 21, 1874, to John Houk and Sarah widow Swaim m.n. Crouch. Baptized Mar. 26, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Houk, Sarah Elizabeth born Sept. 21, 1874, to John Houk and Sarah widow Swaim m.n. Crouch. Baptized Mar. 26, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Gardiner, Mary Regina, born Feb. 22, 1875, to Wm. Gardener and Anna m.n. Fishel. Baptized Apr. 18, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Folz, Orville Lindsey, born Jan. 3, 1875, to Francis Folz and Letitia m.n. Tesh. Baptized Apr. 25, 1875.
- Miller, David Franklin, born May 20, 1875, to Daniel Miller and Jane m.n. Burk. Baptized June 27, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Mock, Jesse Jordan, born Apr. 6, 1875, to Alex. Mock and Louisa m.n. Rominger. Baptized Sept. 26, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Rominger, Ida Alberta, born July 21, 1875, to Ambrose Rominger and Lydia widow Long m.n. Crouse. Baptized Oct. 17, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Bruer, Augusta Elizabeth, born Oct. 17, 1875, to Joseph Bruer and Sarah widow Long m.n. Reich. Baptized Oct. 31, 1875, at the parents' house.
- Spaugh, Parmenio Lewis, born July 18, 1875, to James Spaugh and Jane m.n. Faw. Baptized Dec. 19, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Hill, Andrew Jackson, born Oct. 3, 1875, to Valentine Hill and Delilah m.n. Weaver. Baptized Dec. 26, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Crouch, Ada Lizette, born Jan. 5, 1876, to John C. Crouch and Catherine m.n. Wooseley. Baptized Feb. 27, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Gardiner, William Franklin, born Mar. 11, 1876, to William Gardiner and Anna m.n. Fishel. Baptized Mar. 15, 1876, in the Rockhouse, the residence of the parents.
- Spaugh, Lilian Augusta, born Jan. 9, 1876, to Emanuel Spaugh and Adelaide Victoria m.n. Douthit. Baptized May 13, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Hardman, Peter Augustus, born May 4, 1876, to Jesse Hardman and Annie m.n. Spaugh. Baptized June 25, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Folz, Laura Belle, born June 14, 1876, to Francis Folz and Letitia m.n. Tesh. Baptized Aug. 12, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Tesh, Ada Victoria Elizabeth, born Apr. 17, 1876, to David Tesh and Johanna m.n. Zimmerman. Baptized Aug. 20, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Sides, Walter Henry, born Sept. 13, 1876, to Ambrose Sides and Sarah m.n. Spaugh. Baptized Oct. 22, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Mock, Sarah Catharine, born Sept. 16, 1876, to Jesse Mock and Lucy m.n. Crouch. Baptized Oct. 22, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Tesh, John Henry Washington, born Apr. 29, 1876, to Julius Tesh and Sarah m.n. Craver. Baptized Oct. 29, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Wooseley, Alpha Amanda, born Aug. 31, 1876, to Samuel A. Wooseley and Jane m.n. Miller. Baptized Dec. 16, 1876, at Friedberg.
- Folz, Addie Isabel, born Oct. 22, 1875, to Jacob Folz and Adelia m.n. Fishel. Baptized Dec. 17, 1876, in the Friedberg parsonage.

Adult Baptisms

- Bruer, Joseph. Baptized Nov. 21, 1869.
- Crouch, Lucy, born Oct. 20, 1834. Baptized Nov. 21, 1869.
- Hill, Christina, born Dec. 1847(?). Baptized Jan. 16, 1870.
- Essig, Theophilus. Baptized Nov. 26, 1871.

Perryman, Alpheus. Baptized Nov. 26, 1871.

Tesh, Rosa Elizabeth m.n. Zimmerman. Baptized Nov. 26, 1871.

Harmon, Joseph, born Sept. 14, 1856, to Jno. and Charity Harmon. Baptized Jan. 10, 1875.

Gardner, William Ellerson, about 32 years old. Baptized June 25, 1876. [Friedberg Register.]

Spaugh, Abigail, born June 9, 1856, to Jno. Sol. and Anne Spaugh. Baptized Dec. 16, 1876.

Marriages

Woosely, Samuel, married Sept. 22, 1867, to Jane Miller, born to Joseph Miller.

Hine, Henry Francis, born to James and Elizabeth Hine, married Nov. 28, 1867, to Anne Elizabeth Kinneman, born to Andrew and Elizabeth Kinneman.

Fishel, William Henry, married Feb. 13, 1868, to Mary Ann Tesh.

Spach, Theophilus Thomas, born to Christian and Catharine Spach, married Mar. 12, 1868, to Anna Maria Pickle, born to Christian and Louisa Pickle.

Rominger, Ambrose, married Dec. 8, 1868, to widow Lydia Long, born to Jacob and Rosa Crouse.

Miller, Martin J., born to Jesse and Louisa Miller, married Dec. 27, 1868, to Malvina Rothrock, born to Daniel and Anne Margaret Rothrock.

Knauss, Jonas, born to Solomon and Charity Knauss, married Jan. 14, 1869, to Paulina Mock, born to Adam and Anne Mock.

Mendenhall, Lorenzo L., born to Benjamin and Martha Mendenhall, married Feb. 25, 1869, to Emily Walk, born to Joseph and Mary Walk.

Seides, Christian Parmenio, born to Christian and Alpha M. Seides, married Mar. 18, 1869, to Anne C. Burk, born to George W. and Sarah Burk.

Sink, Lafayette, born to Daniel and Belinda Sink, married Jan. 16, 1870, to Harriet Lucy Walk, born to Joseph and Mary Walk.

Niphon, Andrew, born to Andrew Niphon, married Feb. 10, 1870, to Mary Walk, born to Joseph and Mary Walk.

Tesh, Martin, born to Emanuel and Charity Tesh, married Feb. 24, 1870, to Elizabeth Cornelia Ann Walk, born to Joseph and Mary Walk.

Spach, Emanuel, born to Christian and Catharine Spach, married Dec. 22, 1870, to Addie Douthit, born to George and Anne Douthit.

Walk, Joseph J., married Feb. 19, 1871, to Emeline Spaugh.

Burk, Samuel A., born to George W. and Sarah A. Burk, married Mar. 2, 1871, to Mary Hege, born to Solomon and Catharine Hege.

Tesh, David A., born to Samuel and Elizabeth Tesh, married July 9, 1871, to Rosina E. Zimmerman, born to Solomon and Christina Zimmerman.

Michael, Philip W., born to Jacob and Sarah Michael, married Sept. 28, 1871, to Barbara T. Long, born to Thomas and Elizabeth Long.

Fishel, James, born to Daniel and Eliza Fishel, married Nov. 2, 1871, to Mary Foltz, born to Edward and Lucinda Foltz.

Holland, John W., born to Wm. Holland and Susan m.n. Hampton, married Dec. 5, 1871, to Sarah Davis, born to Madison and Fanny Davis.

Hedrick, John W., born to Jacob B. and Mary Hedrick, married Apr. 18, 1872, to Sarah A. James, born to Levi and Mary James.

Hayworth, T. B. F., married Dec. 19, 1872, to widow Eliza J. Spaugh, born to Fleet and Mary Longworth.

Tesh, John Henry, [Friedberg Diary: born to Emanuel Tesh], married Apr. 1, 1873, to Mary L. Fishel, born to Gottfried and Regina Fishel.

Essic, Theophilus, married Oct. 5, 1873, to Cynthia Dulcena Crouch.

Tesh, Julius Franklin, married Dec. 14, 1873, to Sarah Elizabeth Craver.

Tesh, David A., married Jan. 15, 1874, to Johanna S. Zimmerman.

Bruer, Joseph, married Feb. 26, 1874, to Sarah Long m.n. Reich.

Foltz, Francis, married Apr. 9, 1874, to Letitia Tesh.

Nifong, David Emanuel, married Sept. 17, 1874, to Eliza J. Hartman.
 Scott, David, colored, married Oct. 8, 1874, to Emeline Brennel, colored.
 Everhart, Andrew L., married Mar. 18, 1875, to Augusta C. Miller, born to J. H. Miller.
 Benson, A. W., married Apr. 27, 1875, to Eliz. D. Smith, born to David Zeisberger Smith.
 Sides, Ambrose Edwin, born to C. D. Sides of Hope, married Sept. 30, 1875, to Sarah Catharine Spaugh, born to Traugot Spaugh.
 Fishel, Alexander A., married Nov. 28, 1875, to Emma L. Fishel.
 Knouse, Franklin, married Sept. 21, 1876, to Eliza Louisa Fishel.

Deaths and Burials

Walk, Mary Ann m.n. Berrier, born Apr. 21, 1818, to Henry and Sarah Berrier. Married Nov. 4, 1841, to John Joseph Walk. Died Jan. 5, 1867.
 Sink, Harrison Eugene, born Dec. 22, 1865, to Mary Sink. Died Feb. 23, 1867.
 Fishel, Selina Christina, born June 24, 1866, to Jonathan and Louisa Fishel. Died June 15, 1867.
 Shore, William, born June 29, 1824, near Friedberg, to Jacob Shore and Verona m.n. Rominger. Married Nov. 2, 1848, to Lizetta Walk. Died June 12, 1867.
 Hill, Larkin Thomas, born May 10, 1867, to Valentine Hill and Delila m.n. Weaver. Died Sept. 17, 1867.
 Fishel, Susannah m.n. Woosely, born July 16, 1812. Married 1830 to Jacob Fishel. Died Mar. 3, 1868.
 Shore, Edwin Parmenio, born Feb. 17, 1868, to Naaman Shore and Louisa m.n. Shutt. Died May 3, 1868.
 Disher, Mary, born Mar. 12, 1841, to William and Christina Weaver. Married Dec. 27, 1866, to Henry Disher. Died July 14, 1868.
 Rothrock, Joseph, born Apr. 19, 1785. Married (1) to Magdalena Knauss (died 1826). Married (2) Jan. 1827 to Sarah Spach. Died Aug. 28, 1868.
 Fishel, Mary Catharine m.n. Rothrock, born Sept. 29, 1823. Married Dec. 12, 1843, to Michael Fishel. Died Sept. 19, 1868.
 Fishel, William Henry, born Dec. 8, 1846, to Michael and Mary Fishel. Married Feb. 13, 1868, to Mary Ann Tesh. Died Oct. 12, 1868.
 Chitty, John Norman, born June 4, 1868, to Henry Chitty and Susan m.n. Wesner. Died Oct. 14, 1868.
 Weaver, Christina m.n. Boeckel, born Mar. 26, 1811, to Valentin Boeckel and Anna Maria m.n. Hauser. Married to Wm. Weaver. Died Nov. 1, 1868.
 Scott, Anna Maria m.n. Weaver, born July 23, 1834, to Wm. Weaver and Christina m.n. Boeckle. Married Apr. 20, 1859, to Alexander Scott. Died Nov. 6, 1868.
 Seides, Maria m.n. Spach, born Dec. 19, 1793, to John Spach and Catharine m.n. Lange. Married Feb. 17, 1818, to Jacob Seides. Died Nov. 14, 1868.
 Weesner, Amanda Sophia, born Oct. 21, 1867, to Wm. Weesner and Susan m.n. Fishel. Died Dec. 17, 1868.
 Spach, John, born Oct. 19, 1797, to Jacob Spach and Sarah m.n. Tesh. Married Nov. 12, 1822, to Catharine Mock. Died Dec. 21, 1868.
 Stoner, Charlotte Cornelia Ann, born Aug. 16, 1866, to Amos Stoner and Harriett Augusta m.n. Chitty. Died Mar. 6, 1869.
 Fishel, Beata, stillborn daughter of Henry Fishel and Mary Ann m.n. Tesh. May 15, 1869.
 Woosely, Emanuel Augustus, born Jan. 24, 1869, to Samuel Woosely and Jane m.n. Miller. Died July 21, 1869.
 Shore, Martha Louisa, born Nov. 15, 1840, to Solomon Shutt and Salome m.n. Foltz. Married May 28, 1866, to Naaman Shore. Died July 24, 1869.
 Crouch, Samuel Augustus, born Aug. 30, 1869, to John Crouch and Catharine m.n. Woosely. Died Oct. 7, 1869.
 Ripple, Christian, born Apr. 29, 1784, to Henry Ripple and Catharine m.n. Frev. Married Nov. 10, 1812, to Anna Catharine Hoehns. Died Nov. 12, 1869. His father was born in Hesse Cassel in 1757 and was bro't to this country as a "Hessian Soldier."

- Sink, Paulina Louisa, born to Jesse and Sarah Rebecca Mock. Married Mar. 20, 1859, to David Sink. Died Jan. 22, 1870. [Friedberg Diary: She leaves a husband and 4 children, the youngest only a few weeks old.]
- Miller, Jesse, born Sept. 25, 1810, to Valentine Miller and Mary m.n. Wesner. Married July 18, 1833, to Louisa Matilda Fishel. Died Mar. 31, 1870.
- Reich, Rosina, born Mar. 29, 1801, to John Zimmerman and Rosina m.n. Hanes. Married Mar. 5, 1822, to Philip Reich. Died May 29, 1870.
- Bruer, Dora Alice, born in 1870 to Joseph Bruer and Lizetta m.n. Conrad. Died July 10, 1870.
- Woosely, Franklin Alexander, born June 23, 1870, to Samuel Woosely and Jane m.n. Miller. Died July 11, 1870.
- Tesh, Maria Sarah, born Sept. 1, 1796. Married Mar. 4, 1817, to George Tesh. Died Aug. 29, 1870.
- Ripple, Catharine, born May 15, 1786, to John and Maria Hanes. Married Nov. 10, 1812, to Christian Ripple. Died Aug. 30, 1870.
- Reich, Philip, born Jan. 16, 1797. Married Mar. 5, 1822, to Rosina Zimmerman. Died Sept. 25, 1870.
- Hyer, Enoch, born Jan. 18, 1836, near Friedberg. Married June 15, 1867, to Mary Thornton. Died Dec. 5, 1870. [Friedberg Report: Tho' he had been member of the church but two years, he was last May elected lovefeast steward by a large majority.]
- Rothrock, Christian, born Apr. 4, 1790. Married Feb. 27, 1817, to Mary Catharine Boeckle. Died Dec. 8, 1870.
- Spach, Benjamin, born Mar. 10, 1813. Married Mar. 21, 1844, to Henrietta Transou. Died Jan. 26, 1871.
- Hege, Ida Malvina, born Feb. 11, 1870, to Philip and Belinda Hege. Died Mar. 31, 1871.
- Mock, Sarah Rebecca, born Mar. 18, 1811, to Barnabas Kummel and Catharine m.n. Weevil. Married Nov. 26, 1835, to John Jesse Mock. Died Apr. 21, 1871.
- Painter, Susanna Catharina, born Jan. 25, 1798, to Henry Kreutzfuesser and Catharine m.n. Fishel. Married to John Painter. Died May 25, 1871.
- Todd, Casper, born July 13, 1796. After the death of his first wife he married (2) Mar. 1850 to Rachel widow Swim m.n. Hine. Died Nov. 30, 1871.
- Hege, Mary Elizabeth, born June 26, 1871, to Philip and Belinda Hege. Died Dec. 26, 1871.
- Lashmet, Frances Matilda, born Aug. 16, 1853, to Franklin Lashmet and Maria m.n. Transu. Died Jan. 25, 1872.
- Weaver, William, born Sept. 23, 1810, in Davidson County. Married (1) Christina Boeckle (died). Married (2) Sarah widow Joiner m.n. Hauser. Died Apr. 29, 1872.
- Fishel, Caroline Elizabeth m.n. Tesh, born May 28, 1827, in Forsyth County. Married June 8, 1858, to Jesse Fishel. Died May 9, 1872.
- Tesh, George, born Jan. 10, 1796. Married Mar. 4, 1817, to Maria Sarah Boeckle. Died May 10, 1872.
- Spaugh, Albert Augustus, born Feb. 26, 1871, to James and Balinda Jane Spaugh. Died Aug. 21, 1872.
- Perril, John Henry, born Oct. 21, 1804, in Davidson County. Married Dec. 22, 1835, to Anna Peddycord. Died Sept. 1, 1872.
- Sides, Theodore, born Aug. 8, 1872, to Eli and Jane Sides. Died Sept. 7, 1872.
- Spaugh, John Solomon, born Feb. 28, 1816. Married Dec. 8, 1839, to Anna Green. Died Dec. 14, 1872.
- Fishel, Anna Catharine m.n. Miller, born June 28, 1806, at Friedberg. Married June 5, 1832, to George Fishel. Died June 19, 1873.
- Sink, Archibald, born Mar. 12, 1821. Married Jan. 2, 1845, to Maria Catharine Kimmel. Died June 21, 1873.
- Spaugh, Adda Jane, born June 14, 1872, to Obadiah and Susan Spaugh. Died Sept. 2, 1873.
- Shore, Beatus and Beata, twin children of John and Mary Shore. Born and died Sept. 5, 1873.

- Wooseley, John Evander, born Sept. 30, 1873, to Samuel Wooseley and Jane m.n. Miller. Died Oct. 15, 1873.
- Reich, John, born Apr. 24, 1829, in Forsyth County, to Philip Reich and Rosina m.n. Zimmerman. Married Nov. 23, 1856, to Anna Minerva Tesh. Died Oct. 29, 1873.
- Walk, John Joseph, born May 5, 1814, to Joseph and Elizabeth Walk. Married (1) Nov. 2, 1843, to Marianne Berrier (died 1867). Married (2) Feb. 19, 1871, to Emeline widow Spach m.n. Kimmel. Died Jan. 29, 1874.
- Knauss, Jacob Joshua, born Jan. 17, 1850, to John Sol. and Eva Charity Knauss. Died Feb. 17, 1874. At the time of his death he was assistant teacher of the Salem Male Academy, a very hopeful and promising young man.
- Spach, Aaron George, born Feb. 1, 1843, to Levi Spach. Married Jan. 27, 1867, to Mary C. widow Reich m.n. Sides. Died May 3, 1874.
- Hege, Catharine m.n. Guenther, born Aug. 18, 1813, to John and Elizabeth Guenther. Married Dec. 28, 1841, to Sol. Hege. Died June 8, 1874.
- Delappe, Beata, stillborn daughter of Felix Delappe and wife. Aug. 8, 1874.
- Fishel, Francis Allen, born May 17, 1851, to Francis Fishel and Anna Catharine m.n. Knouse. Died Feb. 9, 1875.
- Rothrock, Lydia Caroline, born July 31, 1831, to Jacob Frey and Annie m.n. Cook. Married Sept. 20, 1853, to Chas. Rothrock. Died Feb. 16, 1875.
- Fishel, Anna, born Dec. 4, 1817, to David Hoffman and Mary Hoffman. Married Dec. 5, 1843, to Thos. Fishel. Died May 25, 1875.
- Walk, Nancy Josephine, born Sept. 5, 1874, to Emeline Walk and the late Jos. J. [John Joseph] Walk. Died June 24, 1875.
- Sides, Abigail, born Aug. 13, 1874, to Eli and Jane Sides. Died July 1, 1875.
- Hege, Solomon, born Dec. 14, 1813, in Davidson County, to David and Elizabeth Hege. Married Dec. 28, 1841, to Cath. Guenther. Died Aug. 24, 1875.
- Bruer, Augusta Elizabeth, born Oct. 17, 1875, to Joseph and Sarah Bruer. Died Oct. 31, 1875.
- Bruer, Sarah Catharine, born Oct. 28, 1838, in Forsyth County, to Philip and Rosina Reich. Married (1) Oct. 9, 1859, to Lewis W. Long (died 1864). Married (2) Feb. 26, 1874, to Joseph Bruer. Died Dec. 12, 1875.
- Gardener, Anna Rosina, born May 29, 1844, to Gottfried and Regina Fishel. Married Feb. 5, 1874, to Wm. Gardener. Died Mar. 16, 1876.
- Fishel, Kilian Thomas, born Sept. 3, 1855, to Michael Fishel and Catharine m.n. Rothrock. Died Apr. 18, 1876.
- Gardner, William Franklin, born Mar. 11, 1876, to Wm. and Annie Gardner. Died May 27, 1876.
- Delappe, Beata, stillborn twin daughter of Felix Delappe and wife. July 6, 1876.
- Gardner, Mary Regina, born Feb. 22, 1875, to Wm. and Anna Gardner. Died July 25, 1876.
- Mock, Lewis Alexander, born Dec. 15, 1866, to Alexander Mock and Louisa m.n. Rominger. Died Dec. 18, 1876.

Baptisms of Non-Members

- Spach, Roswell Jacob, born Aug. 25, 1866, to Timothy Spach and Sarah m.n. Hill. Baptized Sept. 21, 1867, at the parents' house.
- Spach, Sarah Letitia, born Apr. 21, 1867, to Simon Spach and Elizabeth m.n. Craver. Baptized Oct. 13, 1867.
- Fishel, Erastus Augusta, born Apr. 13, 1868, to Christian Fishel and Regina m.n. Spach. Baptized May 24, 1868.
- Fishel, Noah Enville, born Apr. 13, 1868, to Christian Fishel and Regina m.n. Spach. Baptized May 24, 1868.
- Swim, Flora Isabel, born Feb. 7, 1867, to Hamilton Swim and Charity m.n. Crouch. Baptized May 31, 1868.
- Shutt, Henry Daniel, born Apr. 16, 1868, to James Shutt and Mary m.n. Rothrock. Baptized Jan. 10, 1869.

- Weaver, Sidney Meridan, born July 7, 1868, to Andrew Weaver and Sarah m.n. Cecil. Baptized Jan. 24, 1869.
- Spach, Anne Bell, born Oct. 8, 1868, to Timothy Spach and Sarah m.n. Hill. Baptized Apr. 25, 1869.
- Miller, Charles Willborn, born Jan. 27, 1869, to Josiah Miller and Sarah m.n. Rothrock. Baptized May 9, 1869, at Friedberg.
- Hege, Parmenio Jacob, born Sept. 27, 1868, to Samuel Hege and Elizabeth m.n. Boeckel. Baptized May 9, 1869, at Pleasant Fork.
- Hege, Arminius George, born Sept. 27, 1868, to Samuel Hege and Elizabeth m.n. Boeckel. Baptized May 9, 1869, at Pleasant Fork.
- Bruer, Lizetta Victoria, born May 31, 1868, to Joseph and Lizetta Bruer. Baptized May 16, 1869, at Friedberg.
- Padget, Eli Clark, born May 21, 1869, to Charles and Jane Padget. Baptized Sept. 11, 1869, at Friedberg.
- Spach, Norman Eugene, born May 15, 1869, to George Simon Spach and Elizabeth m.n. Craver. Baptized Oct. 10, 1869, at Pleasant Fork.
- Rominger, Jacob Franklin, born Sept. 18, 1869, to Ambrose Rominger and Lydia m.n. Crouse. Baptized Oct. 31, 1869.
- Fishel, Elizabeth Charity, born Jan. 23, 1871, to Christian and Susan Regina Fishel. Baptized Mar. 19, 1871.
- Rominger, Charles Solomon, born Apr. 9, 1871, to Ambrose and Lydia Rominger. Baptized May 21, 1871.
- Spach, Emma Jane, born Nov. 5, 1870, to Timothy Spach and Sarah m.n. Hill. Baptized Mar. 25, 1872.
- Stoner, William Joseph, born Oct. 16, 1871, to Amos and Harriett Augusta Stoner. Baptized Apr. 21, 1872.
- Spaugh, Franklin Augustus, born Aug. 2, 1871, to Franklin and Mary Pamila Spaugh. Baptized June 16, 1872.
- Hill, David Constantine, born Feb. 7, 1872, to Valentine and Delilah Rebecca Hill. Baptized June 23, 1872.
- Reed, Francis John Henry, born Feb. 24, 1872, to Andrew Lafayette and Maria Christina Reed. Baptized June 30, 1872.
- Fishel, Samuel Wesley, born June 17, 1872, to Christian and Susan Regina Fishel. Baptized Aug. 18, 1872.
- Miller, Robert Benjamine, born Sept. 25, 1872, to Martin James and Melvina Nancy Miller. Baptized Nov. 10, 1872.
- Knauss, Elmira Frances, born May 8, 1872, to Jesse and Susan Knauss. Baptized Nov. 24, 1872.
- Rominger, Edward Eugene, born Feb. 21, 1873, to Ambrose and Lydia Rominger. Baptized Apr. 20, 1873.
- Fishel, Carrie Daisy Ann, born Dec. 21, 1873, to wid. Marian Fishel m.n. Tesh and the reputed father Joseph Wagner. Baptized Dec. 25, 1874.
- Burk, Roswell Eugene, born Aug. 8, 1874, to Wm. Burk and Sarah m.n. Lashmet. Baptized May 16, 1875, at Friedberg.
- Reed, Mary Rosina, born Aug. 2, 1875, to Andrew Reed and Maria Christina m.n. Fishel. Baptized May 11, 1876, in the Friedberg parsonage.
- Spaugh, Minnie Ada, born Sept. 11, 1875, to Belinda Spaugh. Baptized June 30, 1876, at Friedberg.

Deaths and Burials of Non-Members

- Covis, Mary. Married Dec. 31, 1846, to Levi Covis. Died July 24, 1867.
- Swim, Rachel Augusta, born July 17, 1865, to Hamilton Swim and Charity m.n. Crouch. Died July 25, 1867.
- Covis, Howard, born July 20, 1867, to Levi and Mary Covis. Died Aug. 4, 1867.
- Hanes, Anna, born Sept. 1, 1822, to Edward and Mary Burk. Married Apr. 22, 1841, to Marcus Hanes. Died July 25, 1869.

Hege, Elizabeth, born Dec. 11, 1813. Married to David Hege. Died Oct. 26, 1869.

Swim, Joseph Constantine, born May 7, 1869, to Hamilton and Charity Swim. Died June 19, 1870.

Spach, Anna Bell, born Oct. 8, 1868, to Timothy Spach and Sarah m.n. Hill. Died June 19, 1870.

Gladfelter, George, born Jan. 6, 1785. Married to Barbara Rothrock, daughter of Peter Rothrock. Died July 14, 1870.

Rominger, Jacob Franklin, born Sept. 18, 1869, to Ambrose Rominger and Lydia m.n. Crouse. Died May 10, 1871.

Weaver, Andrew, born Aug. 12, 1836, to Wm. and Christina Weaver. Married to daughter of Richard Cecil. Died July 9, 1871.

Lashmet, Maria Louisa, born June 27, 1828, to Peter and Rebecca Transu. Married Dec. 26, 1850, to Franklin Lashmet. Died Feb. 11, 1872.

Spach, Caroline Maria, born Sept. 16, 1868, to Franklin Spach and Mary Pamela m.n. Shore. Died Feb. 26, 1872.

Delap, Louisa Lizetta m.n. Rothrock, born Sept. 13, 1835, to Joseph and Sarah Rothrock. Died April 28, 1872.

Wesner, John. Died May 8, 1872.

Tesh, Rose Elizabeth m.n. Zimmerman, born Feb. 21, 1851. Married July 9, 1871, to David A. Tesh. Died May 11, 1872.

Esic, Anna Lucinda m.n. Swim, born Sept 21, 1837. Married May 15, 1859, to Theophilus Esic. Died Feb. 14, 1873. Her youngest child on its birth accompanied its mother to her eternal rest, and was buried with her.

Knauss, Elmira Frances, born May 8, 1872, to Jesse and Susan Knauss. Died Sept. 2, 1873.

Fishel, Noah Enville, born Apr. 13, 1868, to Christian and Regina Fishel. Died Sept. 5, 1873.

Spaugh, George Washington, born Mar. 11, 1844, to Andrew Spach and Mary m.n. Chitty. Married about Christmas 1870 to Susan Vogler. Died Feb. 4, 1874.

Hoffman, Eliza Rebecca m.n. Holder, born July 13, 1819, at Friedland. Married Feb. 14, 1839, to Sol. Jno. Hoffman. Died Aug. 1, 1874. [Friedberg Diary: mother of Rev. Herm. Hoffman]

Shore, Alson Martin, born Oct. 29, 1856, to Thomas Shore and Mary m.n. Shutt. Died Sept. 29, 1874.

Spaugh, Samuel Adam, born Dec. 24, 1825, to Daniel Spaugh, Sr., and Rebecca m.n. Wesner. Married Dec. 12, 1849, to Annie Welfare. Died Sept. 2, 1876. [Friedberg Diary: He lived at the Jersey below Lexington.]

Friedberg Diary Entries, 1867-1876

[Church Register material that was recorded only in the Friedberg Diary. The following is the entirety of the material.]

Baptisms

Chitty, a child of Henry Chitty. Baptized Aug. 9, 1868.

Petticord, Mary Jane. Baptized Dec. 24, 1869, at Hope.

Spach, Emily Cath. Baptized Dec. 24, 1869, at Hope.

Fishel, a child of Jesse Fishel. Baptized Nov. 26, 1870.

Marriages

Mock, Jesse, married Nov. 12, 1872, to Lucy Crouch.

Shore, John, son of Lizetta Shore, married Nov. 28, 1872, to Mary Mock.

Deaths and Burials

Hoffman, widow of Adam Hoffman. Funeral preached Feb. 6, 1867, at her house on Muddy Creek.

Smith, wife of Adam Smith (colored). Buried Mar. 11, 1868.

Alsвеске, Anthony, one of Napoleon's old soldiers, a very intelligent Pole. Funeral preached July 12, 1868, at Pleasant Fork. [Friedberg Report: He entered the French service at the age of twelve years, was thro' the great Russian campaign, and after the fall of the Emperor came to America, where he signalized himself by the capture of an Indian chief in the Florida War. He subsequently married in N. York, but after the death of his wife and children he came to N.C., where he married again. His death was occasioned by falling into a railroad cut at night, by which his thighs were broken, rendering amputation necessary, in consequence of which operation he died, aged about 70 years.]

Fisher, George. Died in California. Funeral preached Oct. 11, 1868.

Hoffman, a child of John Hoffman. Funeral preached June 27, 1869, at Good Hope.

Ellis, Ransom (Squire). Buried Mar. 19, 1870, at Mt. Pleasant. Funeral preached Oct. 9, 1870, at his house.

Nading, [John]. Grandfather of Sarah Ann Blum Leinbach. Died Apr. 15, 1870. Buried Apr. 17, 1870, at Hopewell.

Rominger, Jacob. Died May 3, 1870. Buried May 5, 1870.

Etchison, James and wife. Funerals preached Sept. 4, 1870, at Macedonia.

Bruer, Mrs. Harrison. Funeral preached Sept. 6, 1870.

Spach, Samuel, husband of Sarah Spach. Died Oct. 24, 1870. Funeral preached Oct. 26, 1870, at Waughtown.

Kimmel, Alfred. Died Dec. 4, 1870. [Friedberg Report: About sundown Mr. Alfred Kimmel called to see Br. Hyer, and suddenly fell dead at the bedside of the dying man.]

Nading, wife of John Nading and grandmother of Sarah Ann Blum Leinbach. Funeral held Jan. 10, 1871, at Hopewell.

Hanes, John. Funeral preached May 21, 1871, at Good Hope.

White, Debbie. Buried Apr. 10, 1872, at Mt. Olivet.

Riddle, son of Calvin Riddle. Died Sept. 1, 1872. His skull was fractured by being dashed against a tree while riding a very spirited horse. Buried at Macedonia.

Rominger, Jordan. Attended funeral Oct. 20, 1872.

Snyder, wife of Wm. Snyder. Died Jan. 18, 1874.

Tesh, mother of Sr. John Reich. Died Feb. 23, 1874. Funeral scheduled at Mt. Olivet.

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Infant Baptisms

Boner, Mary Jane, born Feb. 16, 1868, to Joseph Boner and Sarah m.n. Lauder. Baptized Aug. 26, 1868, at Hope.

Seides, Louis Edwin, born Apr. 5, 1869, to William Seides and Antionette m.n. Spach. Baptized Nov. 7, 1869, at Hope.

Miller, John Henry, born Apr. 27, 1868, to William Henry Miller and Susan Jane m.n. Strupe. Baptized May 22, 1870.

Miller, Edward Parmenio, born Dec. 5, 1869, to William Henry Miller and Susan Jane m.n. Strupe. Baptized May 22, 1870.

Seides, Charles Eugene, born Mar. 1, 1870, to Christian Parmenio Seides and Anne m.n. Burk. Baptized May 22, 1870.

Spach, Albert Eugene, born July 15, 1870, to Aaron Spach and Mary m.n. Seides. Baptized Oct. 23, 1870.

Beeson, Rufus Theodore, born Sept. 5, 1870, to Joseph Beeson and Louisa m.n. Null. Baptized Apr. 23, 1871.

Miller, Nathaniel Paul, born Mar. 9, 1871, to Wm. Henry Miller and Susan Jane m.n. Stroup. Baptized Aug. 26, 1871

Spaugh, Edwin Parmenio, born July 26, 1872, to Aaron George and Mary Catharine Spaugh. Baptized Oct. 27, 1872.
 Sides, Mary Rosina, born Sept. 3, 1872, to Christian Parmenio and Annie C. Sides. Baptized Nov. 24, 1872.

Deaths and Burials

Vogler, Elizabeth, born Dec. 26, 1787, near Hope, to Horatio Hamilton and Lucy m.n. Petticord. Married (1) Oct. 13, 1808, to William Petticord (died 1829). Married (2) May 21, 1833, to Philip Vogler. Died Dec. 8, 1869.
 Holt, George Washington, born Mar. 19, 1811. Married Jan. 30, 1840, to Nancy Painter. Died Jan. 25, 1875.
 Sides, Rosina Isabella, born Mar. 12, 1863, to Christian David Sides and Alpha Monroe Sides. Died Feb. 18, 1875.
 Boner, Jonathan, born June 16, 1807. Died Feb. 3, 1875. [Recorded out of sequence.]
 Sides, James Henry, born June 20, 1838. Died Mar. 20, 1875. [Philadelphia Report: He was a former member of Hope, but of late a member of the Baptist Church. His dying request was that a *Moravian* minister should conduct and preach his funeral. Buried in Hope graveyard.]

Friedland Register, 1867-1876

[The original Friedland Register No. 2 was lost many years ago. The following records were compiled from several original sources: register extracts for 1859 and 1860; the Friedland Register begun by C. L. Rights in 1889 (with earlier material added); the Friedland Diary and Reports to Ministers Conference; the (New) Philadelphia Diary and Reports; the Kernersville Diary and Reports; and the Private Diary of R. P. Leinbach. The death register made use also of a listing of gravestone inscriptions copied in 1936 by William J. Hall.]

Infant Baptisms

Hein, a child of Br. and Sr. Nelson Hein. Baptized Apr. 28, 1867.
 Steward, infant son of br. M. Steward. Baptized Dec. 8, 1867.
 Ried, a child of Sam Ried. Baptized Aug. 9, 1868.
 Weavil, infant son of Walter Weavil. Baptized Aug. 29, 1868.
 Hine, little daughter of Nelson Hein. Baptized June 6, 1869.
 Stewart, infant child of Moses Stewart. Baptized Oct. 10, 1869, at the house of Amos Stewart.
 Stewart, infant child of John Stewart. Baptized Oct. 10, 1869, at the house of Amos Stewart.
 Ried, infant son of Samuel Ried. Baptized Oct. 24, 1869.
 Ried, infant daughter of E. Ried. Baptized Nov. 28, 1869.
 Stewart, infant son of Jacob Stewart. Baptized Dec. 5, 1869.
 Williams, Geo. Washington, born to Mary Williams [Kernersville Diary: a niece of Sr. Lowder]. Baptized Apr. 3, 1870.
 Hine, Noah Leno., born Mar. 12, 1870, to Eli and Louisa Hine. Baptized Mar. 5, 1871.
 Weavil, Phebe Ellen, born to Albert and Sally Weavil. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Reid, Crissy Louisa, born Feb. 8, 1869, to Martha J. Reid. Baptized Dec. 17, 1871.
 Shelton, Amos Constantine, born to Miles and Sally Shelton. Baptized Oct. 16, 1870. [Recorded out of sequence.]

Reid, Nancy Isabel Farina, born Jan. 17, 1872, to Samuel and Elizb. Reid. Baptized May 5, 1872.
 Hine, Daniel Parmenio, born Aug. 15, 1871, to Francis and Nancy Hine. Baptized May 5, 1872.
 Swaim, George Luther, born May 10, 1872, to Levi and Jane Swaim. Baptized Sept. 15, 1872.
 Shelton, John Green, born Feb. 5, 1873, to Miles Shelton and Sarah m.n. Steward. Baptized Apr. 11, 1873.
 Reed, infant daughter of Samuel Reed and wife. Baptized June 20, 1875.

Adult Baptisms

Motsinger, a young lady. Baptized Dec. 18, 1867.
 Schoskey, Anthony. Baptized Nov. 14, 1869.
 Weavil, Christina Jane, married to William Weavil. Baptized Dec. 12, 1875.
 Masten, Laura Ann. Baptized Oct. 1, 1876.
 Smith, Emma Carian. Baptized Oct. 1, 1876.

Marriages

Aldred, a young man, married June 11, 1867, to Emma Allen.
 Leach, a young man, married Nov. 19, 1867, to Miss Boggs.
 Shelton, Miles, married Oct. 10, 1869, to Sallie Stewart.
 Swaim, Levi, married Dec. 25, 1870, to Jane Stewart.

Deaths and Burials

Ried, Charles, born June 29, 1783. Died Mar. 30, 1867.
 Girl, June 1866-July 1867.
 Masten, an infant. Buried July 2, 1867.
 Smith, A. F., born to Alvius and S. R. Smith. Died July 23, 1867.
 Robbins, mother and little son. Funeral preached Aug. 6, 1867.
 Swaim, George, born Oct. 30, 1838. Died Oct. 30, 1867.
 Snider, Margaret, born Apr. 12, 1797. Died Nov. 29, 1867. Not a member.
 Smith, Frances Sarah Ann, born Sept. 7, 1837. Married Sam Smith. Died Mar. 23, 1868.
 Not a member.
 Teague, M. A., a little girl, born Oct. 16, 1866. Died June 19, 1868.
 Boy, 1868.
 Hine, born Aug. 3, 1868, daughter of H. Francis and N. Hine. Died Aug. 11, 1868.
 Boy, 1868.
 Stewart, John F., born Nov. 8, 1833. Died Oct. 3, 1868. Not a member.
 Smith, Jacob Elwood, born to John F. and C. Smith. Died Dec. 8, 1868.
 Hine, son of E. J. and K. L. Hine. Born and died Feb. 9, 1869.
 Steward, Annie E., born in 1865 to John Steward and wife. Died July 4, 1869.
 Weavil, Melinda S. Buried Aug. 13, 1869.
 Spaugh, Elizabeth m.n. Sides, born Sept. 4, 1795. Died Dec. 12, 1869.
 Williard, Phoebe, born in 1803. Married to Jacob Williard. Died Mar. 2, 1870.
 Crumpler, Rosa Belle, born Oct. 16, 1869. Died May 15, 1870. [Friedland Report: The fifth babe they have laid to rest.]
 Crumpler, James L., born Oct. 18, 1868. Died May 30, 1870.
 Stewart, Anna M., born Jan. 2, 1804. Married to Moses Stewart. Died July 12, 1870.
 Nissen, Fannie B., born to C. F. and B. E. Nissen. Died Aug. 13, 1870.
 Rothrock, Joseph, born Sept. 12, 1782. Died Aug. 25, 1870.
 Chamelin, Medora F., born Oct. 9, 1863, to J. H. and J. C. Chamelin. Died Nov. 11, 1870.
 [Friedland Report: Mrs. Chamblin belongs to the Missionary Baptists, but all her children have been buried at Friedland.]
 Motzinger, Mrs. Died Nov. 29, 1870. Buried at Bethany Lutheran Church.
 Reed, Leopold, born Feb. 10, 1852. Died Aug. 26, 1871.
 Gibbins, Magdalina, born Sept. 16, 1784. Died Sept. 16, 1871.

Lowder, Jane, born Dec. 5, 1805. Died Nov. 16, 1871.
Motzinger, Felix. Died Aug. 1, 1872. Buried at Bethany Lutheran Church.
Lagenauer, P. Buried Sept. 1872.
Williard, Sarah M., born to Pinkey and E. Williard. Died Oct. 23, 1872.
Williard, Jacob, born Jan. 8, 1790. Died Nov. 22, 1872.
Snider, Philip, born Dec. 31, 1788. Died Dec. 10, 1872.
Boy, 1869-1873.
Swaim, Joicy C., born Sept. 3, 1871. Died Jan. 2, 1873.
Peddycord, Phebe, born Dec. 12, 1819, to Philip Snider and wife. Married to Thomas Peddycord. Died Jan. 18, 1873.
Smith, a stillborn daughter of T. and R. Smith, Feb. 19, 1873.
Swaim, Hulda, born Sept. 9, 1838. Married to Andrew Swaim. Died Mar. 11, 1873.
Robbins, Phebe, born July 9, 1798. Married to Daniel Robbins. Died April 8, 1873.
McKaughan, Arthur S., born June 11, 1872, to J. W. and M. A. McKaughan. Died Apr. 30, 1873.
Hine, daughter of E. J. and K. L. Hine. Born and died May 6, 1873.
Swaim, Jesse, born Aug. 21, 1816. Died May 14, 1873.
Rothrock, Mary, born Sept. 29, 1790. Died Nov. 1, 1873.
Hine, daughter of E. E. and B. L. Hine. Born and died Dec. 15, 1873.
Woman, died 1874.
Martin, Emanuel. Buried Jan. 1, 1874.
McKaughan, Mary, born Feb. 3, 1810. Married to Archibald McKaughan. Died Jan. 26, 1874.
Masten, Alexander D., born May 5, 1832. Died Apr. 5, 1874.
Williard, Phebe Jane, born Oct. 24, 1842. Married to Joseph Williard. Died July 4, 1874.
Johnson, Sarah C., born Feb. 20, 1870, to Henry Johnson and wife. Died Aug. 4, 1874.
Nissen, John Philip, born 1813. Died Dec. 17, 1874.
Keller, John, born Dec. 30, 1800. Died Dec. 24, 1874. [Bethania Register: born Dec. 23, 1800.]
Boy, 1870-1875.
Pope, son of N. and P. J. Pope. Born and died Mar. 13, 1875.
Parnell, Susan Dorothea, born Nov. 25, 1843. A single woman, granddaughter of Christian Nissen. Died June 8, 1875.
Reed, Noah C., born Apr. 29, 1874, to John Reed and Joyce m.n. Smith. Died June 30, 1875.
Smith, Anna, born Oct. 26, 1811. Married to Jacob Smith. Died July 21, 1875.
Bodenhamer, son of P. and P. J. Bodenhamer. Born and died July 27, 1875.
Hege, Marion E., born Sept. 29, 1868, to Absalom and Catharina Hege. Died Aug. 12, 1875.
Parnel, Charles L, born Jan. 31, 1874, to J. W. and C. E. Parnel. Died Aug. 14, 1875.
Lowder, Jonathan, born Mar. 25, 1799. Died Aug. 18, 1875.
Reed, Christian Emmanuel. Died Oct. 19, 1875, age 58 years, 1 mo., and 15 days.
Donnelton, Richard, 1875.
Welch, Joseph, 1875.
Boy, 1873-1875.
Girl, 1873-1876.
Woman, 1847-1876.
Swaim, Anna Maria, born Oct. 20, 1812. Died Mar. 28, 1876.
Hine, Phebe, born Feb. 2, 1797. Died May 22, 1876.
Reed, Mary A., born Oct. 2, 1875, to Joseph and Lodima Reed m.n. Smith. Died June 17, 1876.
Stockton, William, born Aug. 30, 1813. Died Nov. 2, 1876.
Swaim, Eli J., born June 3, 1829. Married to Phebe Swaim. Died Nov. 17, 1876.
Nissen, Maria, born Oct. 22, 1820. Died Dec. 14, 1876.

Friedland Reports Entries, 1867-1876

[Church Register material that was recorded only in the Friedland Reports. The following is the entirety of the material.]

Baptism

Holt, Sarah Abigail Susan. Baptized Apr. 18, 1867, at Hope.

McCuiston, Robert Dawson, and his two boys. Baptized Feb. 21, 1869, at Kernersville.

Deaths and Burials

Steward, Samuel, brother of A. Steward. Buried July 1, 1867, at the new church at Kernersville.

Macedonia Register, 1867-1876

Baptisms

Buttner, Walter Leon, born Oct. 6, 1866, to Augustus and Martha Buttner. Baptized Apr. 20, 1867, at the house of the grandparents in Salem.

Tanner, Joseph Nicholas, born Sept. 2, 1865, to Eli Tanner and Delilah m.n. Slater. Baptized Aug. 4, 1867, at Macedonia.

Tanner, Sarah Elizabeth, born Jan. 19, 1867, to Eli Tanner and Delilah m.n. Slater. Baptized Aug. 4, 1867.

Sheek, Sarah Arabella, born June 27, 1867, to Richmond Sheek and Emeline m.n. Riddle. Baptized Aug. 4, 1867.

Smith, John Anderson Munroe, born Sept. 18, 1867, to James Douglas Smith and Anne m.n. Leinbach. Baptized May 3, 1868.

Faircloth, Anne Louisa Elizabeth, born July 25, 1867, to John Faircloth and Harriet m.n. Leinbach. Baptized May 3, 1868.

Swearingen, Tilla Catharine, born July 6, 1866, to Samuel Swearingen and Sarah m.n. Griffith. Baptized June 7, 1868.

Coly, William Xenophon, born May 7, 1868, to James Coly and Margaret m.n. Mock. Baptized Sept. 6, 1868.

Bullard, Anne Eliza, born Feb. 26, 1869, to Henry Bullard and Jane m.n. Fry. Baptized June 6, 1869, at Macedonia.

Fry, Earnest Lee, born Feb. 25, 1869, to James Fry and Maria m.n. Wheeler. Baptized June 6, 1869, at Macedonia.

Sheek, Mary Emeline, born Apr. 8, 1870, to Levin Sheek and Cecilia m.n. Allen. Baptized May 6, 1871, at the house of Br. R. Sheek.

Douthit, Sarah Ada, born Aug. 19, 1870, to Stephen Douthit and Elizabeth m.n. Sheek. Baptized May 6, 1871, at the house of Br. R. Sheek.

Hunter, John Leon, born Mar. 29, 1870, to Wm. Hunter and Julia m.n. Faircloth. Baptized Oct. 22, 1871, at the house of Mr. Samuel Cook.

Douthit, Frank Richmond, born May 18, 1872, to Stephen Douthit and Elizabeth m.n. Sheek. Baptized May 17, 1874, at the parents' house.

Douthit, Minnie Frances Alfonza, born May 28, 1873, to Stephen Douthit and Elizabeth m.n. Sheek. Baptized May 17, 1874, at the parents' house.

Sheek, Charles Levin, born Jan. 4, 1874, to John Sheek and Rhode m.n. Hardman. Baptized May 17, 1874, at the house of Stephen Douthit.

Lee, Robert Thomas, born May 19, 1874, to Henry Lee and Elizabeth m.n. Frye. Baptized Dec. 27, 1874, at the house of Bro. Lee.

Hunter, Leila May, born May 24, 1875, to Wm. Hunter and Julia m.n. Faircloth. Baptized Oct. 24, 1875, at Macedonia.

Adult Baptisms

Hall, Sarah Alphonsa. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Hodge, Elizabeth. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Cook, Anne Eliza. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Cook, Emily Jane. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Fry, Eliza Ann. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Riddle, Anne Elizabeth. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Riddle, Sarah Malinda. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Riddle, Mary Jane. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Bullard, Phoebe. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Etchison, Rachel Emeline. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Hood, Mary Elizabeth. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Martin, Julia Ann. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Riddle, Wiley. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Griffith, John Franklin. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Beauchamp, Joel. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Allen, Peter. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.
 Bullard, William Henry. Baptized Nov. 19, 1871.

Marriages

Hall, Cornelius A., born to John Hall and Mary m.n. Stockburger, married Jan. 20, 1870, to Sarah A. Philips, born to F. M. and Elizabeth Philips.
 Sheek, Jacob, born to Daniel and Anfield Sheek, married Feb. 1, 1872, to Mary Jane Hall, born to John and Mary Hall.

Deaths and Burials

Sheek, George, born Oct. 26, 1787. Died Mar. 13, 1867.
 Sheek, Daniel, born Apr. 11, 1812. Died July 22, 1870. [Friedberg Diary: He was a good member and a very kindhearted man.]
 Lee, Edward, born May 5, 1802. Married (1) to m.n. Jones (died). Married (2) Temperance Kinnick. Died Jan. 5, 1872.
 Hall, John, born Feb. 22, 1807. Married Oct. 8, 1839, to Mary Stockburger. Died Sept. 2, 1872.

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Baptisms

McQuiston, Lizette, born to Robert and Elizabeth McQuiston. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 McQuiston, Ann Elizabeth, born to Robert and Elizabeth McQuiston. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 McQuiston, Josephine Belzora, born to Robert and Elizabeth McQuiston. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 Kerner, Sarah Lee, born to Nathaniel and Martha Kerner. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 Stewart, Mary Jane, born to Geo. W. and Isabella Stewart. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 Stewart, Elizabeth Pauline, born to Geo. W. and Isabella Stewart. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 Stewart, Sarah Lerene, born to Geo. W. and Isabella Stewart. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 Huff, Jessie Alison, son of widow Emily Huff. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 Laster, William Cornelius, son of widow Mary E. Laster. Baptized May 17, 1868.
 McCuiston, John Franklin, born to Robt. and Elizabeth McQuiston. Baptized Feb. 21, 1869.
 McCuiston, James Moses, born to Robt. and Elizabeth McQuiston. Baptized Feb. 21, 1869.

Kerner, Clayton Leibert, born to Nathaniel and Martha Kerner. Baptized Mar. 28, 1869.
 Kerner, James Frederick, born July 11, 1871, to Elias and P. G. Kerner. Baptized Nov. 12, 1871.
 Harmon, Dewitt, born July 10, 1865, to Julius and Antoinette Harmon. Baptized Oct. 27, 1872.
 Harmon, Lotilla, born Sept. 8, 1868, to Julius and Antoinette Harmon. Baptized Oct. 27, 1872.
 Smith, Clara Eugenia, born Dec. 4, 1874, to Winslow A. and Addie W. Smith. Baptized June 13, 1875.
 Kerner, Thomas Stockton, born May 28, 1876, to Nathaniel and Martha Kerner. Baptized June 5, 1876.

Marriages

Kerner, John, married Mar. 2, 1872, to Emily Huff m.n. Stewart.
 Hasten [Hastings], Alexander, married Oct. 31, 1876, to Cornelia m.n. Fulton.

Deaths and Burials

Stewart, Justina, died May 1, 1870.
 Kerner, Nancy, died June 9, 1870. [Bethania Diary: Wife of John F. Kerner.]
 Harmon, Cora, died May 27, 1873.
 Kerner, John Phillip, died Jan. 23, 1875.
 Biggs, Anna F., died Nov. 2, 1875, age about 10 years old.
 Kerner, Thomas, died June 6, 1876. [Kernersville Diary: Born May 28, 1876, to Nathaniel and Martha Kerner.]
 Kerner, Martha E. Married to Nathaniel Kerner. Died Aug. 3, 1876.

Kernersville Diary Entries, 1868-1876

[Church Register material that was recorded only in the Kernersville Diary. The following is the entirety of the Diary material.]

Baptisms

Kerner, infant son of Philip and Sarah Kerner. Baptized May 29, 1870, at Kernersville.
 Plunkett, Charles Wheeler, infant son of John and S. Plunkett. Baptized June 2, 1871.
 Fuller, Delia Eliz. Baptized Dec. 24, 1871.
 Fuller, Martha Ann. Baptized Dec. 24, 1871.
 Stuart, John Henry. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873, at Kernersville.
 Duggins, Robert Augustus. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873, at Kernersville.
 Kerner, Robah Bascomb. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873, at Kernersville.
 Stuart, Elisabeth Pauline. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873, at Kernersville.
 Kerner, Ada Madison. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873, at Kernersville.
 Fulton, Nancy Elisabeth. Baptized Nov. 9, 1873, at Kernersville.
 Kerner, smallest child of Richard Kerner. Baptized Dec. 15, 1873.
 Wicker, Emma. Baptized Nov. 8, 1874, at Kernersville.
 Fuller, James Emmanuel. Baptized Sept. 10, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Fuller, Sarah Lusetta. Baptized Sept. 10, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Peoples, Theodora Frances. Baptized Sept. 10, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Peoples, Betty Marella. Baptized Sept. 10, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Wilson, Thomas Bragg. Baptized Sept. 12, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Wilson, Flora Fastha, sister of Thomas Bragg Wilson. Baptized Sept. 12, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Sells, John. Baptized Sept. 15, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Hasten, Alexander. Baptized Oct. 22, 1876, at Kernersville.
 Hendricks, Arabella. Baptized Oct. 22, 1876, at Kernersville.

Marriages

Crutchfield, Mr., married Dec. 10, 1874, to Sue Henly.
Kerner, Cornelius, married Jan. 15, 1874.
Morris, F. M., married Apr. 23, 1874, to Mary Kerner at the house of Joseph Kerner Sr.
Williard, Wm. P., married May 13, 1875, to Emmily Peddacord.
King, Julian S., married Oct. 26, 1875, to Adie E. Armfield.

Deaths and Burials

Hendricks, a young single woman living near Kernersville. Died. Mar. 2, 1870.
Roberts, infant of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, a Methodist couple. Died May 29, 1870.
Gentry, a child. Funeral preached Aug. 4, 1870, at Kernersville.
Hester, J. H., a Kernersville merchant lately bankrupt. Committed suicide Jan. 16, 1871.
Lindsey, a married woman, an aged and much respected member of the Methodist Church. Funeral preached May 14, 1871.
Davis, Mrs. Haley. Buried July 10, 1871, about 2 1/2 miles from Kernersville.
Teague, Eugene. Died June 1, 1874, near Kernersville. Buried June 2, 1874, at Abbotts Creek.
Hasten, Mrs. John, mother of Banner Hasten. Died Apr. 21, 1875. Buried in the Methodist burial ground in Kernersville.
Blair, Madora Cornelia, daughter of Phillip Kerner, lately deceased, and Judith m.n. Gardener. Died near Williamsburg, Wayne County, Indiana, 11th Mar., 1875. Funeral preached May 9, 1875, at Kernersville.
Stockton, a child of William Stockton. Buried June 30, 1875, in the Methodist burial ground in Kernersville.
Mitchell, Leonora, 12 years old. Her cloak caught fire, and she died Oct. 15, 1875. Funeral preached Oct. 16, 1875, at the colored church in Kernersville.
Hepler, a son of Mr. Hepler of Kernersville. Died Jan. 22, 1876. The body was taken to Abbotts Creek for burial.
Scott, John, an elderly man. Funeral scheduled but not preached May 21, 1876, at Mt. Bethel, Va.
Ayers, Casy, sister of Patsy Richardson. Funeral preached May 21, 1876, at Mt. Bethel, Va.
Richardson, Patsy, sister of Casy Ayers. Funeral preached May 21, 1876, at Mt. Bethel, Va.
Beard, William, the oldest citizen of Kernersville. Died Sept. 27, 1876. Buried Sept. 28, 1876, at Midway.
Hanes, David. Funeral preached Oct. 29, 1876, at Friedberg.
Morris, Aaron. Died Dec. 4, 1876. He was 96 years old.

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Infant and Adult Baptisms

Jones, Tempe Jane, born May 4, 1867, to Thomas Jones and Margaret m.n. Miller. Baptized Aug. 4, 1867.
Meyer, Frances Elisabeth, born Feb. 17, 1859, to Amos Meyer, deceased, and wife Emeline L. Baptized Jan. 19, 1868.
Meyer, Abraham Lincoln, born Jan. 20, 1861, to Amos Meyer, deceased, and wife Emeline L. Baptized Jan. 19, 1868.
Meyer, Phoebe Jane, born Feb. 22, 1863, to Amos Meyer, deceased, and wife Emeline L. Baptized Jan. 19, 1868.
Crater, Charles Alexander, born Dec. 23, 1867, to Allen Crater and Annie m.n. Ketner. Baptized Feb. 16, 1868.

- Reich, William Franklin, born Oct. 8, 1867, to Columbus Reich and Letty m.n. Jones. Baptized Apr. 12, 1868.
- Crater, Albert Monroe, born Apr. 5, 1868, to Reuben Crater and Alpha J. m.n. Reich. Baptized June 21, 1868.
- Chitty, Julia Adelaide, born Apr. 24, 1868, to Henry Chitty and Laura m.n. Transou. Baptized July 7, 1868.
- Rominger, John Martin, born July 18, 1868, to Martin Rominger and Emily m.n. Davis. Baptized Sept. 27, 1868.
- Lashmet, Sandy, born Apr. 20, 1860, to John Lashmet and Paulina m.n. Transou. Baptized Feb. 14, 1869, at the house of Br. Tim. Transou.
- Lashmet, Wilhelmine, born Feb. 20, 1868, to John Lashmet and Paulina m.n. Transou. Baptized Feb. 14, 1869, at the house of Br. Tim. Transou.
- Burkhardt, Ellen Lisette, born Oct. 24, 1869, to John Burkhardt and Mary Cathrine m.n. Ketner. Baptized Jan. 30, 1870.
- Crater, William Thomas, born June 24, 1870, to Allen and Anna Crater. Baptized Oct. 9, 1870.
- Crater, Edward Thomas, born Aug. 2, 1870, to Reuben and Emily Crater. Baptized Oct. 23, 1870.
- Miller, Mary Jane Catherine, born Mar. 8, 1870, to Webster Miller and Jane m.n. Jones. Baptized Mar. 9, 1871.
- Jones, Charles Asa, born Jan. 14, 1871, to Thomas Jones and Margaret m.n. Miller. Baptized Apr. 23, 1871.
- Peddicord, Laura Elisabeth, born, June 3, 1871, to Amos Peddicord and Lucinda m.n. Myers. Baptized July 30, 1871.
- Crater, Julius Nathaniel, born Oct. 2, 1871, to Reuben Crater and Emily m.n. Davis. Baptized Dec. 17, 1871.
- Jones, George Alpheus, born Oct. 28, 1856, to Craven and Mesinda Jones. Baptized Dec. 31, 1871.
- Hester, Mary Louise, born May 12, 1854, to John E. Hester and wife. Baptized Dec. 31, 1871.
- Butner, Addie Leonora, born Jan. 5, 1872, to James Butner and Mary m.n. Jones. Baptized Mar. 24, 1872.
- Frye, William Rufus, born Mar. 28, 1872, to George Frye and Mary Jane m.n. Reich. Baptized June 16, 1872.
- Crater, Martha Melinda, born June 24, 1872, to Allen and Anna Crater. Baptized Aug. 11, 1872.
- Reich, Julia Elisabeth, born Jan. 8, 1873, to Columbus Reich and Letty m.n. Jones. Baptized Apr. 13, 1873.
- Frye, Sarah Elizabeth, born Sept. 2, 1873, to George and Mary Jane Frye. Baptized Nov. 8, 1873.
- Buttner, Ellen Caroline, born Dec. 19, 1873, to James and Mary Buttner. Baptized Feb. 22, 1874.
- Jones, Fenely Simari [Finley Simeon], born Jan. 31, 1874, to Thomas and Margaret Jones. Baptized June 14, 1874.
- Crater, John Nathaniel, born Aug. 5, 1874, to Allen and Anna Crater. Baptized Nov. 1, 1874.
- Hester, Sarah Camilia, born June 15, 1859, to John E. and Ruth Hester. Baptized Jan. 3, 1875.
- Jones, Ellen Catharine, born Oct. 31, 1859, to Craven and Lucinda Mesinda Jones. Baptized Jan. 3, 1875.
- Crater, Eugene Allen, born Oct. 20, 1874, to Ruben and Emely Jane Crater. Baptized Mar. 21, 1875.
- Butner, Ida Maria, born Apr. 9, 1875, to James and Mary Butner. Baptized May 16, 1875.
- Miller, Elizabeth m.n. Meyers, born Feb. 11, 1836, to Andrew Meyers and wife. Baptized May 16, 1875.
- Miller, Emma Louisa, born June 8, 1872, to Jonathan and Elizabeth Miller. Baptized Aug. 29, 1875.

Miller, Amanda Elizabeth, born Oct. 4, 1874, to Jonathan and Elizabeth Miller. Baptized Aug. 29, 1875.

Miller, Scott Hester, born Sept. 29, 1875, to James H. and Louisa Miller. Baptized April 16, 1876.

Marriages

Ketner, T. Joshua, born to William Ketner and Mary m.n. Boyer, married Feb. 7, 1867, to Maria C. Crater, born to John and Catherine Crater.

Woosely, John Wesley, born to William Woosely and wife, married Feb. 7, 1867, to Martha Reich, born to Daniel Reich and wife.

Miller, F. Alexander, born to Joseph and Sarah Miller, married Dec. 19, 1867, to Sarah Rebecca Transou, born to Timothy and Sarah Transou.

Shore, Joseph Alexander, born to John H. and Catherine Shore, married Apr. 7, 1868, to Ellen Regina Transou, born to Timothy and Sarah Transou.

Burkhard, John C., born to Frederick and Aline Burkhard, married Jan. 14, 1869, to Mary Catherine Ketner, born to Nathaniel and Sarah Ketner.

Crater, Reuben J., married Nov. 11, 1869, to Emily Rominger m.n. Davis.

Hege, Constantine A., born to Solomon and Catherine Hege, married Mar. 10, 1870, to Frances M. Spach, born to Thomas and Malvina Spach.

Frye, George, born to Thos. and Louisa Frye, married Dec. 22, 1870, to Mary Jane Reich, born to Franklin and Sarah Reich.

Butner, James E., born to John and Fredr. Butner, married Mar. 9, 1871, to Mary E. Jones, born to Craven and Mesinda Jones.

Vest, Newton, born to Johnson and Delile Vest, married Nov. 27, 1873, to Paulina C. Butner, born to John and Charlotte Butner.

Boyer, Junius, born to John and Anna Boyer, married Dec. 14, 1873, to Melinda Crater, born to John and Catharine Crater.

Pope, William P., born to Frederick and Sarah Pope, married Dec. 17, 1874, to Caroline Butner, born to John and Frederica Butner.

Miller, James Harvey, born to George and Mildria Miller, married Dec. 24, 1874, to Louise Hester, born to John E. and Ruth Hester.

Thomas, Caleb S., born to Levi F. and Sarah Thomas, married Sept. 2, 1875, to Miranda V. Crater, born to Levi and Sarah Crater.

Keith, Leonidas N., born to James T. Keith and Nancy H. Williams, married June 1, 1876, to Jane A. Transou, born to Timothy and Sallie Transou.

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Snipe, Caroline m.n. Frye, born to Thomas and Louisa Frye. Married Jan. 24, 1867, to W. Snipe. Died Sept. 30, 1867.

Frye, David C., born Oct. 21, 1843, in Stokes County, to Thomas and Louisa Frye. Died Jan. 28, 1868.

Rominger, John Martin, born June 6, 1787, in Stokes County. Married (1) May 13, 1828, to Rebecca Crater (died 1862). Married (2) Jan. 31, 1865, to Emily Davis. Died Feb. 5, 1868.

Crater, Alpha Jane, born Nov. 29, 1843, near Salem, to Daniel Reich and wife. Married June 29, 1865, to Reuben Crater. Died May 29, 1868.

Chitty, Henry N., born to Traugott Chitty and wife. Married Nov. 30, 1865, to Laura Transou. Died Dec. 1869.

Miller, Henry Gaston, born Oct. 21, 1869, to Jonathan Miller and wife. Died Mar. 3, 1872. Burkhardt, Frederick Chr., born May 27, 1822, at Salem. Married Nov. 19, 1844, to Alina Oehman. Died June 5, 1872.

Spach, Charles Mathias, born Jan 2, 1847, near Friedberg, to Thos. and Melvina Louisa Spach. Died Aug. 13, 1874.

Bevel, James Larkin, born Feb. 15, 1866, near New Philadelphia, to Allen W. and Julean Elizabeth Bevel. Died Dec. 22, 1874.

Brewer, Wesley, born Nov. 15, 1827, in Davidson County. Married Aug. 26, 1849, Camilla Berryman. Died Jan. 6, 1876.

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Norman, James. An old man. Died Aug. 26, 1870. Buried Aug. 28, 1870, at Sharon, where most of his family are interred.

Crim, Flora Grant, daughter of James Crim. Died Mar. 17, 1871, aged 5 years, 2 months and 12 days. Funeral preached Oct. 8, 1871, at Union Grove Meeting House (Northern Methodist).

Burkhardt, John C. Died Mar. 15, 1872, in Texas, whither he had immigrated, aged 23 years, 11 mos. and 13 days. Funeral preached June 30, 1872, at Phila.

Holston, Joseph. Died May 30, 1873. Buried June 1, 1873, at Bethel.

Holt, Eliza Jane m.n. Brinkley, wife of William Holt. Funeral preached Nov. 30, 1873, at Hope. Buried in the Hope graveyard by request (non-member).

Faircloth, Henry. Died in Indiana about a year earlier. Funeral preached Nov. 22, 1874, at Macedonia.

Wheeler, David. Formerly a member of the Macedonia congregation, but withdrew. Buried Aug. 10, 1874, at Macedonia.

Lee, Beata, born May 19, 1874, to Henry and Elizabeth Lee. Died July 5, 1874. Funeral preached Apr. 25, 1875, at Macedonia.

Etchison, James. Shot himself Dec. 25, 1875. Buried Dec. 27, 1875, at Macedonia.

Fulk, Julia Sabina. Died Mar. 10, 1876. Buried Mar. 11, 1876, at Mt. Tabor.

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